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Harold Holt, Editor

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

January 26, 1971

Bird & Plant Life of the Pawnee National Grasslands
by Nancy Hurley

7:30 P. M. Denver Museum of Natural History (New auditorium-west side)

DECEMBER 1970 FIELD TRIPS

December 6 - Pawnee National Grasslands. Nancy Hurley, leader. (Partly cloudy, cool, no wind-8 hrs.) Christine Bonney, John Flavin, Bob Glover, Jane Kragh, Mary Robinson. (18 species)12 - Horsecreek Res., Hudson area. Harold Holt, leader. (Fair, 50°-8 hrs.) John & Joyce Cooper, Ray & Pam Groover, LaVona Holt. (47 species)13 - Red Rocks Park. Donald Thatcher, leader. (Fair, 30°-40°-3 hrs.) Lori Chappell, Helen Stiles.

December	6	12	13		6	12	13
AREA	PAWN	HUD	RRP		PAWN	HUD	RRP
HABITAT	PLN	PLN	FOOT		PLN	PLN	FOOT
SPECIES							
Canada Goose	150	62		Downy Woodpecker		3	
Snow Goose	1			Horned Lark	1000	867	
Mallard	150	1250		Scrub Jay			3
Gadwall		15		Black-billed Magpie	30	54	7
Pintail		16		Common Raven			1
Green-winged Teal		8		Black-capped Chickadee		10	4
American widgeon		12		Canon Wren			2
Shoveler		8		Robin			1
Common Goldeneye		12		Northern Shrike	8	3	1
Bufflehead		6		Starling	12	256	
Common Merganser		85		Yellowthroat		1	
Harlan's Hawk		1		House Sparrow	6	39	
Rough-legged Hawk	21	10		Western Meadowlark	25	223	
Ferruginous Hawk	9			Redwinged Blackbird		649	
Golden Eagle	7			Cassin's Finch			1
Bald Eagle	1	1		House Finch		7	2
Marsh Hawk	13	8		Pine Siskin		70	
Prairie Falcon		2		American Goldfinch		17	
Sparrow Hawk	2	1	1	Rufous-sided Towhee			1
Ring-necked Pheasant		17	1	White-winged Junco			1
American Coot		3		Slate-colored Junco		6	
Killdeer		14		Oregon Junco		18	15
Common Snipe		1		Gray-headed Junco			9
Herring Gull		2		Tree Sparrow	5	51	
Ring-billed Gull		152		Harris' Sparrow		1	
Rock Dove		20		White-crowned Sparrow		13	
Great Horned Owl		1		White-throated Sparrow		2	
Belted Kingfisher		1		Song Sparrow		10	
Red-shafted Flicker	1	4	6	Lapland Longspur	10	1	
				TOTAL SPECIES	18	47	16

ADDITIONAL OBSERVATIONS:

Common Loon - 1 CCRA on 6th JR - 1 on 27th McClellan Res. HK, VR NEW LATE DATE
 Horned Grebe - 1 CCRA on 6th JR
 Double-crested Cormorant - 1 on 5th Bowmar JC - 1 on 21st Soda Lake JC, VR
 Snow Goose - 3 Prospect Res. on 13th JR
 Greater Scaup - 2 on 23rd Bowmar VR
 White-winged Scoter - 1 on 12th CCRA JR

Old Squaw - 1 on 27th Chatfield Dam HK, VR
Red-breasted Merganser - 1 on 27th McClellan Res. HK, VR NEW LATE DATE
Glaucous Gull - 2 on 20th CCRA JR - 1 on 23rd Bowles L. VR
California Gull - 3 on 24th, 2 on 27th Englewood VR
Mourning Dove 1 on 10th Lakewood BN
Short-eared Owl - 1 on 13th CCRA JR - 6 on 29th Latham Res. ML
Yellow-shafted Flicker - 1 on 27th Waterton HK, VR
Mockingbird - 1 on 8-9th CCRA JR - 1 on 20th CCRA JR
Yellow-headed Blackbird - 1 Jackson Res. HH, JR
Rufous-sided Towhee - 1 all month Lakewood JC
Cassin's Sparrow - all month (wintering) Evergreen SB
White-throated Sparrow - 1 from 6th Lakewood JC
Swamp Sparrow - 1 on 24th Littleton VR

INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTORS:

Sylvia Brockner, John Cooper, Harold Holt, Hugh Kingery, Marjorie Lett, Bernice Noyce, Jack Reddall, Van Remsen

NEW MEMBER: Gladys Peterson - 3063 S. Columbine - Denver 80210

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 Harold Holt - 449 S. Xavier - Denver 80219

CHRISTMAS COUNTS

This year we had a record count of 100 species (including the Rock Dove, which Audubon does not count)! The previous high of 93 was set in 1967. Two new species were added, Common Loon and Old-squaw, bringing our all time total species for the count to 143. We had 102 participants this year in comparison with 80 last year, which perhaps accounts for the increase in total species found.

Because of overlap of areas there were 15 Great Blue Herons reported which were changed to 12, and 9 Golden Eagles changed to 6. Seen on Pre-Count but not on count day were Pied-billed Grebe, Double-crested Cormorant, White-fronted Goose, Pigeon Hawk, Glaucous Gull, Yellow-shafted Flicker and White-throated Sparrow, Mourning Dove, Pine Grosbeak, Gray-crowned Rosy Finch. Thanks for a job well done.

- Editor

DENVER CHRISTMAS COUNT PARTICIPANTS (Leaders underlined):

Area 1 - Red Rocks Park: Renate Amter, Robert Amter, Kim Clark, Ralph Ehret, Robert Glover, Corinne Nitschke, Donald Thatcher, Donna Thatcher.
 Area 2 - Lower Bear Creek: Robert Andrews, Jerry Appelbaum, Allegra Collister, Sadie Morrison, Juanita Swigeart, Ruth Wheeler.
 Area 3 - BowMar: Mr. & Mrs. William Cassell, Harold Holt, LaVona Holt, Edwin McKee, Jack Reddall.
 Area 4 - Lower South Platte: John Cooper, Joyce Cooper, John Hannum, Phil Hayes, James McCrum, Van Remsen, Edith Schmechel, Frank Simons.
 Area 5 - Middle South Platte: Lori Chappell, Dave Hutchinson, Jeff Hutchinson, Thompson Marsh, Robert Pyle, Robert Spencer, Shirley Spencer.
 Area 6 - Upper South Platte: Blake Besser, Jerome Besser, John DeGrazio, Joe Guarino, Max Haegle, Ed Knittle, Charles Loveless, Cal Royall.
 Area 7 - Deer Creek Canyon: John Colvin, Floyd Pendell, Elizabeth Willcockson, Lynn Willcockson.
 Area 8 - South Turkey Creek: Joanne Abbott, Lorena Berger, Nancy Hurley, Elinor Kingery, Hugh Kingery, Marie Kolena, Kay Malcomb, Richard Pillmore, Gary White, Karen White.
 Area 9 - North Turkey Creek: Libby Goodwin, Lesley Julian, Paul Julian.
 Area 10 - Upper Bear Creek: Bill Brockner, Sylvia Brockner, Don Malick.
 Area 11 - Willow Springs: Henry Bossman, Vi Bossman, Robert Brace, Bo' Buttery, Douglas Buttery, Carolyn Buttery, Becky Cruse, Jim Cruse, Patty Echelmeyer, John Flavin, Pauline Herrington, Margaret Murphy, Mary Schaefer, Mary Jane Schock, Mildred Snyder, Jim Wheeler, John Wheeler, Shirley Wheeler.
 Feeders: Littleton area - Jerome S. Grutza, R. J. Henrix, L. C. Tobin, Mrs. Truhler.
 Deer Creek - Lloyd Bishop, Glick Bishop, Alene DeVore, Nancy Freeman, Lila Kint, Mrs. Grant Schafer, Helen Waters.
 Turkey Creek - Duncan Beaton, Mayme Christensen, Corinne Cummins, Margaret Granzella, Doris & Harold McLaughlin, Mildred Meyer, Connie Sebal, David Sumner, Mrs. Edward Van Arsdale. December 26

DENVER PRE-COUNT PARTICIPANTS:

Area 1 - Don Thatcher; 2 - Sadie Morrison, Roberta Ausfahl, Mary Jane Schock, Merle Barbour, Phyllis Caswell; 3 - Harold Holt, Jack Reddall; 4 - John Cooper, Joyce Cooper, Van Remsen; 5 - Thompson Marsh, Dave Hutchinson, Lori Chappell;

Area 6 - Cal Royall, Jack Welch, Ed Knittle, Max Haegle, Jerry Besser, Blake Besser, Grace Welch; Area 7 - Lynn Willcockson; 8 - Hugh Kingery, Nancy Hurley, Helen Stiles, Van Remsen; 11N - Bob Buttery, Doug Buttery; 11E - Patty Echelmeyer, Mr. & Mrs. R. D. Brace; 11W - Mildred Snyder. December 19 & 20

WELDONA PARTICIPANTS:

Donald Thatcher, Lori Chappell, David Hutchinson, Sadie Morrison, Howard Rollins. December 30

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	F	TOT	PRE	WEL
														CT.	
Common Loon				1									1	2	
Pied-billed Grebe														6	
Double-crested Cormorant			3	5	2						5		12	17	1
Great Blue Heron			6										6	4	
Mute Swan													73	1664	
Canada Goose		75	117	211										1	
White-fronted Goose															
Mallard		31	534	112	32	2					807		1518	906	300
Gadwall		21	54	26	7	9							117	159	
Pintail		10	12								20		42	17	
Green-winged Teal		42	9		4								55	41	
American Widgeon		45	266	14	8	9					13		355	434	
Shoveler			22										22	14	
Wood Duck			20										20	14	
Redhead			155	6									161	85	
Ring-necked Duck		1	214	20									235	252	
Canvasback			7										7	18	
Lesser Scaup			28										28	11	
Greater Scaup			3										3		
Common Goldeneye		9	88	36	27	1					2		163	97	
Bufflehead			2	7	7								16	3	
Old-squaw				2									2	1	
Ruddy Duck			1										1	2	
Hooded Merganser			9	1									10	10	
Common Merganser			161	31	9						3		204	614	
Red-breasted Merganser				1									1		
Goshawk													1		
Sharp-shinned Hawk		1			1								2	1	
Cooper's Hawk													2		
Red-tailed Hawk		2	2	4	4	1	1						16	8	2
Harlan's Hawk				1	1								2	2	
Rough-legged Hawk			1	4	4		5			1	8		23	18	5
Buteo sp.				2									2		
Golden Eagle	1				3	1			1		3		6	6	
Bald Eagle													1	1	
Marsh Hawk			1	3		1	2				5		12	7	2
Prairie Falcon					1								1	1	1
Pigeon Hawk															
Sparrow Hawk		1	4	7		1						2	16	15	2
Blue Grouse								2	1				3		
Ring-necked Pheasant		4	2	30	12		4					2	54	10	
American Coot		9	124	21								9	163	304	
Killdeer		12	1	10	27	2	1					1	54	44	
Common Snipe		4	8	12	6	2						2	34	18	4
Herring Gull			26	1									27	12	
Glaucous Gull														1	
Ring-billed Gull			554	12	5	1							572	973	7
Rock Dove							17			10	19		60	142	
Mourning Dove														2	
Screech Owl					2								2	1	
Great Horned Owl				3	5							1	9	5	
Pygmy Owl								1					1		
Long-eared Owl			2		1							2	5	2	2
Belted Kingfisher		2		6	5	6							19	11	
Yellow-shafted Flicker														1	
Red-shafted Flicker		7	10	18	20	15	15	4	1	1	6	27	14	140	88
Lewis' Woodpecker													1	2	11
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker				1									1		
Hairy Woodpecker						1		11	1	4			18	35	4
Downy Woodpecker		2	1	6	6	4	1	4				1	25	14	
Horned Lark				2	23								4	29	80
Blue Jay													10	10	2
Steller's Jay						62	41	80	105	21	17	126	452	33	
Scrub Jay	5					45	9			1	4	26	1	101	41
Black-bill. Magpie	2	91	67	209	153	52	14	27	5	29	121	18	788	342	16
Common Raven	20					1		1	3		5	1	31	2	

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	F	TOT	PRE	WEL
														CT.	
Common Crow					15	25		13	1	43	124		221	41	
Black-capped Chick.	9	11	4	30	78	38	3	15	6	5	26	90	315	75	5
Mountain Chickadee	1				4	1	6	174	40	11		122	359	82	
White-breasted Nuthatch				3			1	13	8		1	31	57	16	
Red-breasted Nuthatch							2	8				11	21	1	
Pigmy Nuthatch								35				100	135	38	
Brown Creeper	1		1					22	6			3	33	6	
Dipper					2	7				6	3		18	2	
Winter Wren						1							1		
Canon Wren	3								1	2			6	8	
Rock Wren											5		5		
Brown Thrasher											1		1		
Robin			3	8		2		6			1		20	21	
Townsend's Solitaire	2		1			3	1	8	3				18	4	
Golden-crowned Kinglet								1					1	2	
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	1												1	1	
Water Pipit	1												1		
Cedar Waxwing															7
Northern Shrike		4		2		1	1				3	2	13	5	1
Starling		275	175	265	131	21	32	4		73	153	118	1247	429	75
Myrtle Warbler					1								1		
House Sparrow		104	176	133	42	12	31			6	56	150	710	305	170
Western Meadowlark		35	1	15	32	28	1				39		151	76	6
Redwinged Blackbird		61	89	429	23		2				100	34	738	357	330
Rusty Blackbird		4		5									9		
Brewer's Blackbird		75		50									125	10	11
Evening Grosbeak			44	6					5	6	5	40	106	7	
Cassin's Finch		6			25	21	34			12	107	29	234	42	
House Finch	55	11	69	58	98	2				16	13	91	413	150	
Pine Grosbeak														2	
Gray-crowned Rosy Finch														30	
Pine Siskin			5	41	26	3		25			105		205	112	11
American Goldfinch	1	3	1	3	15	1				5	31		70	51	25
Red Crossbill												3	3		
Rufous-sided Towhee	2			1	6	38	3	1		1	15		67	37	
White-winged Junco					1			6	3	1		38	49	5	
Slate-colored Junco	3	6		24	24	17	1	17		1	30		21	144	58
Oregon Junco	65	36	19	85	24	113	4	56	1	61	96	94	654	342	4
Gray-headed Junco	2	3	1		2	14	6	80	8	43	101	91	351	75	
Tree Sparrow	1			141	46	10	2				128	10	338	217	120
Harris' Sparrow				4	3	2							9	14	
White-crowned Sparrow	6	3	10	3									22	9	
White-throated Sparrow														1	
Fox Sparrow					3	3							6	1	
Swamp Sparrow					2								2		
Song Sparrow	2	22	7	56	49	20	7	1		6	12		182	106	29
Lapland Longspur															5
TOTAL SPECIES	18	38	51	53	52	44	27	26	19	25	50	29	100	94	30

CORNELL NESTING RECORDS

Seven more nests for 1970 just came in from Van Remsen - 1 Red-shafted Flicker, 1 Mountain Chickadee, 1 Chestnut-backed Chickadee (Calif.), 2 House Wren, 1 Starling, 1 Bullock's Oriole. If you find any 1970 or earlier records not turned in previously, Cornell and I will still gratefully receive them.

Nancy Hurley

TRIP LEADERS PLEASE NOTE: Please send your reports, using the Denver area checklist, as soon as possible after each trip to Harold Holt, 449 S. Xavier, Denver 80219 (Note new address). All individual reports should arrive by the 5th of the month to be included in the current report.

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FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE - FEBRUARY 1971

- February 6, Saturday, 8:00 AM. BowMar, Deer Creek, Tiny Town. Meet at Dry Creek Shopping Center, US 285 & S. Logan, Englewood. Lynn Willcockson, leader. *
- 7, Sunday, 8:00 AM. Evergreen, Guanella Pass. Meet at Evergreen Post Office. Bill & Sylvia Brockner, leaders. *
- 13, Saturday, 7:30 AM. Barr & Mile High Lakes. Meet at north parking lot, Denver Museum of Natural History. Harold Holt, leader. *
- 14, Sunday, 7:30 AM. Red Rocks. Meet at 25th & Sheridan. Donald Thatcher, leader. 1/2 day
- 20, Saturday, 9:00 AM. Lower Bear Creek & Turkey Creek & area lakes. Meet as on Feb. 14. Sadie Morrison, leader. *
- 21, Sunday, 7:00 AM. Pawnee National Grasslands. Meet as on Feb. 13. Nancy Hurley, leader. *
- 27, Saturday, 7:30 AM. Jackson Reservoir & Muir Springs. Meet as on Feb. 13. Jack Reddall, leader. *
- 28, Sunday, 8:00 AM. Barr & Mile High Lakes. Meet as on Feb. 13. Jack Welch, leader. *

* BRING LUNCH

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1971 DUES ARE NOW DUE

DENVER FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS
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"Pandion, The Story of an Osprey"

U. S. Forest Service Slide-Tape

7:30 P. M. Denver Museum of Natural History (New auditorium-West side)

JANUARY 1971 FIELD TRIPS

- January 3 - Evergreen-Idaho Springs Christmas Count. Evelyn R. Edens, compiler. Twenty people participated in this count, in nine different territories. Included in this total of 1640 individual birds are many feeder reports.
- 9 - Cherry Creek Dam, Castlewood Dam, Castle Rock, Jackson Valley. Joe & Marion Borden, leaders. (Clear, cold-7 hrs.) John & Joyce Cooper, John Hannum, Thompson & Susan Marsh, Jack Reddall. (40 sp.)
- 10 - Red Rocks. Donald Thatcher, leader. (Fair, 32°-45°-3 1/2 hrs.) Sue Merrick. (15 species)
- 16 - Lower Bear Creek to Morrison & area Lakes. Sadie Morrison, leader. (Windy, partly cloudy-7 hrs.) Roberta Ausfahl, Merle Barbour, Patty Echelmeyer, Carolyn Fuller, Roy & Pam Gruver, Sue Merrick, Gladys Peterson, June Rynders, Bob & Shirley Spencer, Ruth Wheeler. (37 sp)
- 17 - Squaw Mtn., Echo Lake area. R. E. Olson, leader. (Very windy, rain, snow-) Merle Barbour, John & Joyce Cooper, Mary Cornelius. (4 species)
- 23 - Rocky Mtn. Arsenal & Barr Lake. Lynn Willcockson, leader. (Clear 35°-50°-8 hrs.) Christine Bonney, Lori Chappell, John & Joyce Cooper, Evelyn & Kay Edens, Mary Jane Schook, Helen Stiles, Doug Stotz. (37 species)
- 24 - Jackson Reservoir. Jack Reddall, leader. (Partly cloudy, 31°-50°-10 hrs.) Merle Barbour, Christine Bonney, John & Joyce Cooper, Bob Glover, June Rynders, Becker Smith, Paul Smith. (35 species)
- 30 - Pawnee National Grasslands. Nancy Hurley, leader. (Extremely windy-4 1/2 hrs.) Bobbie Ausfahl, Merle Barbour, Christine Bonney, Bosse Fagerstrom (Sweden), John Flavin, Roger Grette, Jane Kragh. (17 species)
- 31 - Barr Lake & Arsenal. Harold Holt, leader. (Calm, 20°-50°-7 hrs.) Christine Bonney, LaVona Holt, Paul & Kathie Mungan. (38 species)

January	3	9	9	10	16	16	17	23	24	30	31
AREA	EVER	CCRA	CAST	RRP	LAKE	MCRR	ECHO	BARR	JACK	PAWN	BARR
HABITAT	FTMT	PLN	FOOT	FOOT	PLN	FOOT	MTN	PLN	PLN	PLN	PLN
SPECIES											
Pied-billed Grebe					1						
Double-crested Cormorant	1 on 1st	CCRA	JR								
Canada Goose	49	200			250			60	450		183
Snow Goose										1	1
Mallard		30			272			198	23000		3050
Gadwall		3			8						12
Pintail					6			12	2		53
Green-winged Teal					32						46
American Widgeon					2			1			17
Shoveler											302
Redhead								2			
Canvasback	20 on 1st	CCRA	JR								
Greater Scaup	1 on 16th	BowMar	JC								

January	3	9	9	10	16	16	17	23	24	30	31
AREA	EVER	CCRA	CAST	RRP	LAKE	MORR	ECHO	BARR	JACK	PAWN	BARR
HABITAT	FTMT	PLN	FOOT	FOOT	PLN	FOOT	MTN	PLN	PLN	PLN	PLN
SPECIES											
Lesser Scaup						8					
Common Goldeneye		1				2		1	1		29
Bufflehead	1f on 23rd S. Platte SW Denver JW				1- on 31st 26th & Youngfield JC						
White-winged Scoter	1 on 8th CCRA MOS										
Ruddy Duck	4 on 1st CCRA JR				1 on 26th BowMar JC						
Hooded Merganser	6 on 1st CCRA JR										
Common Merganser		30			2				200		14
Red-breasted Merganser	1f on 16th-31st at 26th & Youngfield JC										
Red-tailed Hawk	1	2	2		3		1		8		3
Harlan's Hawk							1		3	1	2
Rough-legged Hawk		2					6		38	4	5
Ferruginous Hawk							1		2	1	
Golden Eagle							1		8	3	1
Bald Eagle									5 adults		
Marsh Hawk		1					3		9	3	3
Prairie Falcon									7		
Pigeon Hawk	1 on 12th SE Denver TM									1	
Sparrow Hawk		1			1		1		6	2	1
Ring-necked Pheasant		1			1		2		3		1
American Coot					41						
Killdeer					1				1		
Common Snipe									2		
Glaucous Gull	1 on 3rd CCRA J. Colvin									4	
Herring Gull										8	
Ring-billed Gull					5						
Rock Dove		10		150	12	25		10	20		6
Great Horned Owl							2				1
Snowy Owl	1 at CCRA on 2nd-23rd observed well by many, first by JR						1				
Pygmy Owl											
Short-eared Owl	3 all month CCRA JR										
Belted Kingfisher		2									
Red-shafted Flicker	13	2	1	5	2	2		7	5	2	7
Lewis' Woodpecker			2								
Hairy Woodpecker	24		2								1
Downy Woodpecker	14		1				2				1
Horned Lark		65						23	615	200	
Gray Jay	4										
Blue Jay			2								
Steller's Jay	154		6	2		2	3				
Scrub Jay			10	6							
Black-billed Magpie	25	21	7	9	40			9	63	10	39
Common Raven	19		2	1							
Common Crow	114	15							2		
Clark's Nutcracker	6						7				
Black-capped Chickadee	24		6	2	2	2		8			8
Mountain Chickadee	135		3			1	4				
White-breasted Nuthatch	14		1					1			
Red-breasted Nuthatch	2										
Pigmy Nuthatch	118										
Brown Creeper	4		1		1			3			
Dipper	13					12					
Canon Wren				3							
Mockingbird	1 on 10th Lakewood RB										
Robin	3										3
Mountain Bluebird		1 on 30th Bergen Park JC							(1		
Golden-crowned Kinglet					1						
Cedar Waxwing	10 on 13th Aurora LW				6 on 27th SE Denver HH						
Northern Shrike	1	2							2	1	
Starling	13	110	15		25			41	450	10	41
House Sparrow	7	4		2	10	40		18	310	6	93
Western Meadowlark		25						17	50	50	37
Redwinged Blackbird		8			3			97	650		412
Brewer's Blackbird					3			7	60		
Common Grackle	2 from 14th SE Denver TM										
Evening Grosbeak	173										
Cassin's Finch	175		2								
House Finch	4	2		2	4	6		1			27
Pine Grosbeak	5										
Gray-crown.Rosy Finch	200		5								
Black Rosy Finch	1										
Brown-cap. Rosy Finch	10										

January	3	9	9	10	16	16	17	23	24	30	31	
AREA	EVER	CCRA	CAST	RRP	LAKE	MORR	ECHO	BARR	JACK	PAWN	BARR	
HABITAT	FTMT	PLN	FOOT	FOOT	PLN	FOOT	MTN	PLN	PLN	PLN	PLN	
<u>SPECIES</u>												
Pine Siskin	24			1				18			4	
American Goldfinch	23							22	12		30	
Red Crossbill	5											
Rufous-sided Towhee			6	2	1	all month Lakewood JC						
Cassin's Sparrow	1	(also observed all month in wood pile, Evergreen) MM										
White-winged Junco	42											
Slate-colored Junco	39		4	4		1					1	
Oregon Junco	79		1	20	4			2	1		19	
Gray-headed Junco	99		1	16	1			1				
Tree Sparrow		30			1			11	15	12	31	
Harris' Sparrow								2				
White-crowned Sparrow	1				4			4			11	
White-throated Sp.	1	on 7th-8th Aurora LW - 1 all month Lakewood JC										
Song Sparrow		2			2			3			10	
Lapland Longspur									1	20		
TOTAL SPECIES	99	39	20	21	15	32	9	4	37	35	17	38

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A black mantled gull was observed on the ice in the center of Cherry Creek Reservoir on Jan. 6 by Bill Brockner. Possibly a Western? Too far out to tell definitely.

The Yellowthroat reported in December was a male and was observed as close as 8 feet.

The California Gulls reported in December were identified carefully by Van Remsen, especially by their greenish color legs. They were in a mixed flock of Herring and Ring-billed Gulls.

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CORNELL NESTING RECORDS

Now is the time to start looking for Great Horned Owls nesting. Robins are back in great numbers, so it is time to start thinking about the nesting season. Nancy Hurley - 1875 S. Adams St. - Denver 80210 - phone 757-0837

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FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE - MARCH 1971

- March 6, Saturday, 7:30 AM. Mt. Vernon Canyon, Evergreen, Upper Bear Creek, Squaw Mt. (rosy finches). Meet at 25th & Sheridan. Patty Schelmeyer, leader. *
- 7, Sunday, 7:30 AM. Chicago Creek, Echo Lake, Squaw Mt. (rosy finches). Meet as on March 6. Ray Olson, leader. *
- 13, Saturday, 8:00 AM. Franktown, Castlewood Dam, Castle Rock (rosy finches), Jackson Creek. Meet at Dry Creek Shopping Center, U.S. 101 & S. Logan, Englewood. Merle Barbour & Jane Newcomb, leaders. *
- 14, Sunday, 8:00 AM. Barr & Mile High Lakes. Meet at North Parking lot, Denver Museum of Natural History. Jack Welch, leader. *
- 20, Saturday, 9:00 AM. Lower Bear Creek & Turkey Creek & area lakes. Meet as on March 6. Sadie Morrison, leader. *
- 21, Sunday, 7:00 AM. Pawnee National Grasslands. Meet as on March 14. Nancy Hurley, leader. *
- 27, Saturday, 7:30 AM. Barr & Mile High Lakes. Meet as on March 14. Harold Holt, leader. *
- 28, Sunday, 7:30 AM. Red Rocks. Meet as on March 6. Donald Thatcher, leader. 1/2 day

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REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

March 23, 1971

Color Bird Slides of 1970

by Harold Holt

7:30 P. M. Denver Museum of Natural History (New auditorium - West side)

FEBRUARY 1971 FIELD TRIPS

- February 6 - BowMar area & Deer Creek Canyon. Lynn Willcockson, leader. (Partly cloudy to snow, 0°-15°-7 hrs.) Merle Barbour, John & Joyce Cooper, Gladys Peterson, Bob & Shirley Spencer. (44 species)
- 7 - Guanella Pass, Grant to Georgetown. Winston & Sylvia Brockner, leaders. (Clear, windy, -12°-8 hrs.) Douglas Stotz. (16 species)
- 13 - Barr Lake & Mile High Duck Club. Harold Holt, leader. (Partly cloudy, 35° to 61°-8 1/2 hrs.) Merle Barbour, Christine Bonney, Vi & Henry Bossman, John & Joyce Cooper, Roy & Pam Gruver, Royal Harshman, LaVona Holt, Berniece Merry, Jack Reddall. (43 species)
- 14 - Red Rocks. Thompson Marsh, leader. (Fair, calm 40°-55°-4 hrs.) Murray & Thomas Blumenthal, Winston Brockner, Warren Finch, Susan Marsh, Vito Tursi, David Zumeta. (17 species)
- 20) - Canceled - Heavy snow.
- 21) - Canceled - Heavy snow.
- 27 - Prewitt Res., Muir Spgs., Jackson Res. Jack Reddall, leader. (Partly cloudy, 19°-35°, wind gusty 18 to 40 m.p.h.-10 hrs.) Merle Barbour, Vi & Henry Bossman, LaVona & Harold Holt, Viola Hubka, Jim Joyner, Sally Konnak, Mary Jane Schock. (52 species)
- 28 - Barr Lake. Jack & Grace Welch, leaders. (Bright, cold-7 hrs.) Nancy Hurley, Bill Millor & son Bill, Jr. (46 species)

February	6	6	7	13	14	27	28
AREA	BOW	DEER	GUAN	BARR	RRP	JACK	BARR
HABITAT	PLAIN	FOOT	MTS	PLAIN	FOOT	PLAIN	PLAIN
SPECIES							
Red-necked Grebe	2 in breeding plumage on 28th CCRA JR						NEW EARLY DATE
Pied-billed Grebe	1 all month 26th & Youngfield JC						
Great Blue Heron						1	2
Mute Swan	5						
Canada Goose	126			335		1270	800
Snow Goose						1	
Mallard	28			6500		1500	400
Gadwall	12			100		12	30
Pintail	8			250		24	1000
Green-winged Te.	19			50		91	35
American Widgeo	22			100		6	20
Shoveler	3			500			30
Wood Duck	12						
Redhead	51			12		150	200
Ring-necked Duck	28					1	
Canvasback							13
Greater Scaup	2						CCRA 1 JR
Lesser Scaup	19					12	10
Common Goldeneye	9			45		92	45
Barrow's Goldeneye	1 on 14th CCRA also on 28th JR						
Bufflehead						1	1
Ruddy Duck	1						2
Hooded Merganser	4						
Common Merganser	11			44		170	90
Red-breasted Merganser	1 on 1st 26th & Youngfield JC						
Sharp-shinned Hawk	1 on 17th SE Denver TM						1

February AREA HABITAT	6 BOW PLAIN	6 DEER FOOT	7 GUAN MTS	13 BARR PLAIN	14 RRP FOOT	27 JACK PLAIN	28 BARR PLAIN
SPECIES							
Red-tailed Hawk	1			1		3	2
Harlan's Hawk	1 light phase			1		1	
Rough-legged Hawk	4			16		9	3
Golden Eagle					1	1	
Bald Eagle				1 ad.		21(8 ad. 13 imm.)	
Marsh Hawk				8		5	2
Prairie Falcon	1			1			
Sparrow Hawk	2			4		3	
Blue Grouse	3 on 15th Squaw Mt. JC						
Ring-necked Pheasant				10		2	9
Virginia Rail						2	
American Coot	26			11			2
Killdeer						2	1
Common Snipe				1		2	
Glaucous Gull						2 Prewitt Res.	
Herring Gull	3					37	
Ring-billed Gull	18					29	6
Rock Dove				44	48	11	6
Great Horned Owl				3		1	4
Short-eared Owl			5 CCRA TM				CCRA 5 JR
Belted Kingfisher						1	1
Red-shafted Flicker	3	3		6	2	7	6
Hairy Woodpecker			1				
Downy Woodpecker				4		2	2
Horned Lark	32			100		12	18
Blue Jay		2				1	
Steller's Jay		7	9				
Scrub Jay		9			2		
Black-billed Magpie	9	2	4	74	2	24	20
Common Crow			4			2	
Clark's Nutcracker			2				
Black-capped Chickadee	2	1	1	9	8	10	25
Mountain Chickadee		1	4		3		
White-breasted Nuthatch							2
Pigmy Nuthatch			6				
Brown Creeper	1 on 15th E. Denver TM						1
Dipper	4 all month Kittridge HH						
Canon Wren					4		
Mockingbird	1 all month at feeder at Cherry Creek JR						
Robin	115	8	196	9	8	12	15
Mountain Bluebird					8		
Townsend's Solitaire					1		
Cedar Waxwing	2 on 2nd Aurora LW						
Northern Shrike		1	1	2		2	
Starling	36			230		1810	15
House Sparrow	6	3		140	1	205	50
Western Meadowlark				81		35	30
Redwinged Blackbird	102			1245		900	400
Brewer's Blackbird				2		7	
Common Grackle	1 on 4th-8th SE Denver TM			1			
Evening Grosbeak			28				
Cassin's Finch			30				
House Finch				11		2	1
Pine Grosbeak	2 on 15th Squaw Mt. JC						
Gray-crowned Rosy Finch	100 all month Castle Rock BS						
Pine Siskin				30	21	6	20
American Goldfinch						1	15
Rufous-sided Towhee		2					
Cassin's Sparrow	all month at Evergreen, wintering in wood pile MM		1 Eastern on 25th Boulder RE				
White-winged Junco			4	1			
Slate-colored Junco		2	1		7	1	
Oregon Junco		12	14	25	22	38	12
Gray-headed Junco		3	6		5		2
Tree Sparrow	22			51		23	25
Harris' Sparrow				2			
White-crowned Sparrow				11			2
White-throated Sparrow	1 until 22nd Lakewood JC						
Fox Sparrow							2
Song Sparrow	4			29		27	14
TOTAL SPECIES 95	35	14	16	43	17	52	46

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Mrs. Marye is our new librarian and will be in charge of knowing at all times where the club scope is located. Anyone wanting to use the scope please call her at 722-5500.

CORNELL NEST RECORD PROGRAM

Libby Goodwin and Grace Welch have found Great Horned Owls on nests, the first of the season reported to me. Harold Holt is sure robins are on their territories. It looks like we are off to a good start for the 1971 nesting season. We want to try to break last year's record when we sent over 600 reports to Cornell. How about it?
Nancy Hurley - 1875 S. Adams St. - Denver 80210 - phone 757 -0837

RARE BIRD ALERT

It is necessary to do some rearranging in the 'Rare Bird Alert', so now is time for those of you who wish to be informed when a rare bird is seen to add your name to the list. If you no longer wish to participate, now is the time to make your wishes known. In either case, call Patty Echelmeyer 233-4947.

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A new 'LIFER' WANTED LIST will be published soon. All who want to participate, please send your list to Harold Holt before April 5.

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Thursday, April 15 - BIRD IDENTIFICATION CLASS - using the bird displays and habitat groups at the Denver Museum of Natural History. The class will begin at 7:15 P.M. at the new auditorium, west entrance. Please be prompt. Participants will be limited to 30. Hugh Kingery, an expert birder, will teach the course. For reservations call Susan Darby (364-0754). On Sunday, April 18, members of the class will participate in a bird trip to Deer Creek Canyon. The price per participant will be \$1.00 or \$2.00 for a family group. The class is sponsored by the Denver Audubon Society.

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SAGE SPARROW - Howard Winkler of Durango reports 8 birds of this species just south of town on February 21. This species is very rare in Colorado in winter.

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REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

April 27, 1971

Letts Look at the Birds

by John & Marjorie Lett

7:30 P. M. Denver Museum of Natural History (New auditorium - West side)

MARCH 1971 FIELD TRIPS

March 6 & 7 trips cancelled

- 13 - Daniels Park, Castle Rock, Castlewood Dam, Jackson Cr., Louviers. Merle Barbour & Jane Newcomb, leaders. (Sunny, warm with wind-7 hrs.) Christine Bonney, Ward & Margo Chadwick, Evelyn & Kay Edens (Evergreen), Libbie Goodwin (Boulder), Harold & LaVona Holt, Vi Hubka, Thompson Marsh, Cicely Mellor, Robert & Shirley Spencer, Vito Tursi, Dave Zumeta (Philadelphia, Pa.) (34 species)
- 14 - Barr Lake & Mile High. Jack Welch, leader. (Bright, cold, strong wind-8 hrs) Roy & Pam Gruver, Nancy Hurley, Steve Larson, June Rynders. (44 species)
- 20 - Sloan's Lake, Lower Bear Cr. to Morrison, Willow Springs, Lakes of area. Sadie Morrison, leader. (Sunny, windy p.m.-6 hrs.) Merle Barbour, Christine Bonney, Henry & Vi Bossman, Doris Donnel (Fond du Lac, Wis.), Dick Fowler (Detroit, Mich.), Steve Larson (Boulder), Cicely Mellor, Ralph Sargent, George & Marie Shier, Vito Tursi, Ruth Wheeler. (39 species)
- 21 - Pawnee National Grasslands. Nancy Hurley, leader. (Sunny, cold, some wind-6 1/2 hrs.) Charley Bradford, Joan Dunham, Dick Fowler, Bob Glover, Royal Harshman, Ann Shumaker, Margaret Sikes, Vito Tursi, Vincent Winn. (30 sp.)
- 27 - Arsenal, Barr Lake, Mile Hi. Harold Holt, leader. (Fair, windy-8 hrs.) Merle Barbour, Christine Bonney, Lori Chappell, Milton & Margie Collum, Joyce & John Cooper, Royal Harshman, Don Hill, LaVona Holt, Ron Lestina, Kathy & Paul Mungan, Marie & George Shier, Vito Tursi, Jane Wetlaufer (58 sp)
- 28 - Red Rocks, Morrison. Donald Thatcher, leader. (Warm, fair-4 1/2 hrs.) Charles Bradford, Kim Clark, Roger DeVries, Patty Echelmeyer, Robert Glover, Royal Harshman, Mrs. Deborah Howard (Boston, Mass.), Mrs. Beverly Hutchins, Mrs. Berneice Merry, Ann Schumaker, Robert & Nancy Stocker. (15 sp.)

March	13	14	20	20	21	27	28
AREA	CAST	BARR	BEAR	MORR	PAWN	BARR	RRP
HABITAT	FOOT	PLAIN	PLAIN	FOOT	PLAIN	PLAIN	FOOT
SPECIES							
Horned Grebe	1 on 2nd CCRA JW	1 on 9th Washington Park RA					4
Pied-billed Grebe							2
Double-crested Cormorant							(3
Great Blue Heron		4 (on nests)					14
<u>Whistling Swan</u>	2 on (13th-25th Church Lake RW et al		NEW	EARLY	RECORD		
Canada Goose		250	6		25		16
Snow Goose					1		
Mallard	7	600	24	8	50	2500	
Gadwall		100	8		3	200	
Pintail		500			6	1500	
Green-winged Teal		90	15			23	
Blue-winged Teal						(3	
Cinnamon Teal		(9				7	
American Widgeon		30	3		6	17	
Shoveler		48				500	
Wood Duck	6 at Bow Mar all month	HH					
Redhead	2	94	12		6	40	
Ring-necked Duck			4				
Canvasback		10				54	
Greater Scaup	1 on 13th Tule Lake JW						
Lesser Scaup		52	4		30	3	
Common Goldeneye						12	

March	13	14	20	20	21	27	28
AREA	CAST	BARR	BEAR	MORR	PAWN	BARR	RRP
HABITAT	FOOT	PLAIN	PLAIN	FOOT	PLAIN	PLAIN	FOOT
SPECIES							
Bufflehead		12	6			1	
50 Oldsquaw	1 on 14th) Johnson's Res. RB	NEW	LATE	RECORD			
Ruddy Duck		5				1	
Hooded Merganser	5 on 13th Patrick Lake JW						
Common Merganser		31				23	
Red-breasted Merganser	2 on 11th Barr Lake EE						
Sharp-shinned Hawk	1						
Red-tailed Hawk	3		2		3	2	1
Harlan's Hawk		1	1				
Broad-winged Hawk				1 on 30th Arsenal HH		(1 NEW EARLY	
Rough-legged Hawk		3			9	4 RECORD	
Ferruginous Hawk					2		
Golden Eagle	1				5		
Bald Eagle	6 on 20th Jackson Res. JR						
Marsh Hawk		1	1		9	6	
Sparrow Hawk	1	5	2		1	7	1
Ring-necked Pheasant		15			3	5	
Chukar		6				2	
Sandhill Crane	2 on 30th Barr Lake HH et al						
American Coot		6	24			14	
Killdeer	1	2	2		1	19	
Common Snipe			7			1	
Greater Yellowlegs					(2	1	
Baird's Sandpiper		19				8	
Long-billed Dowitcher						(2	
American Avocet						(2	
California Gull	1 on 8th Federal Center Pond RB	NEW	EARLY	RECORD			
Ring-billed Gull		1	2				
59 Black-legged Kittiwake	1 on Sloan's Lake on 19th-25th LH & many others(good photos)						
	3RD STATE RECORD						
Rock Dove	2	12	20	15		7	50
Mourning Dove	(2 on 9th yard PE 1 on 11th SE Denver TM (cooing)						
Great Horned Owl		2			1	2	
60 Snowy Owl	1 on 25th CCRA JR	NEW	LATE	RECORD			
Burrowing Owl	5 on 30th Barr Lake HH						
Long-eared Owl	1 on 23rd Red Rocks DT						1
Belted Kingfisher			1				
Red-shafted Flicker	8	8	2	1	1	9	4
Lewis' Woodpecker	7						
Downy Woodpecker		2				4	
Horned Lark	9	15			200	11	
Gray Jay	2 on 7th Squaw Mt. HH						
Blue Jay	2 all month in yard PE						
Steller's Jay	7			2			
Scrub Jay	8			4			4
Black-billed Magpie	32	70	15	2	20	32	3
Common Raven	4						
White-necked Raven	2 (calling)						
Common Crow	8				3		
Pinon Jay	2						
Clark's Nutcracker	3 on 7th Squaw Mt. HH						
Black-capped Chickadee	3	12	1			3	4
Mountain Chickadee	4 on 7th Squaw Mt. HH						
White-breasted Nuthatch						1	
Pigmy Nuthatch	10 on 30th Genesee Mt. DT						
Brown Creeper		2	2	1		1	
Dipper				1		(building nest)	3
Canon Wren							2
Mockingbird	1 all month feeder JR						
Brown Thrasher	1 on 11th Golden RS						
Robin	63	53	35	6		31	10
Mountain Bluebird	8		12		15		
Water Pipit		(1					
Bohemian Waxwing	1 on 14th Englewood VB	ONLY	DENVER	RECORD	THIS WINTER		
Northern Shrike						1	
Loggerhead Shrike	(1 on 20th Waterton HK				3		
Starling	21	75	25		6	53	10
House Sparrow	5	14	20		10	36	
Western Meadowlark	7	32	12		50	41	4
Yellow-headed Blackbird		(3				2	
Redwinged Blackbird	12	1200	56		50	5000	
Common Grackle	1 on 11th SE Denver TM (wintering)			(5 on 30th E Denver HK			
Evening Grosbeak	few all month Lakewood PE						

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HABITAT	FOOT	PLAIN	PLAIN	FOOT	PLAIN	PLAIN	FOOT
<u>SPECIES</u>							
Cassin's Finch	1	2 pr all month feeder BA (Englewood)					
House Finch	7	12					
Gray-crowned Rosy Finch	3						
Pine Siskin		30					7
American Goldfinch	1					12	
Lesser Goldfinch	(4 at feeder from 19th BA)						
Rufous-sided Towhee	4						6
Cassin's Sparrow	Still wintering all month at Evergreen MM						
White-winged Junco	1 on 20th Muir Springs JR						
Slate-colored Junco			1	1		1	
Oregon Junco	6	24	3	21		20	8
Gray-headed Junco	1		1	1			
Tree Sparrow	9	56	2		6	7	
Harris' Sparrow						1	
White-crowned Sparrow						5	
White-throated Sparrow	1 on 28th Lakewood JC (feeder)						
Swamp Sparrow	1 on 20th Barr Lake JR						
Song Sparrow		9	10		1	4	
Total Species 112	34	44	35	12	30	58	15

(first of the season

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CORNELL NEST RECORD PROGRAM

On March 30 House Finches were singing on the nest, which seems awfully early. Other birds may be nesting, so be watching. Remember this year Cornell wants the cards to be filled out in pencil. For cards or information, please contact Nancy Hurley, 1875 S. Adams St., Denver 80210, phone 757-0837.

FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE - MAY 1971

May 1, Saturday, 7:00 AM. Barr & Mile High Lakes. Meet at north parking lot, Denver Museum of Natural History. Harold Holt, leader. *

2, Sunday, 6:00 AM. Waterton and the S. Platte for warblers. Walking distance 4 miles. Meet at Dry Creek Shopping Center, U.S. 285 & S. Logan, Englewood. Hugh Kingery, leader. *

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8, Saturday, 7:30 AM. South Platte & South Park. Meet at 25th & Sheridan. John Cooper, leader. *

9, Sunday, 7:30 AM. Red Rocks. Meet as on May 8. Donald Thatcher, leader. 1/2 day

→ 15, Saturday. Statewide Spring Count. Report to Harold Holt, 449 S. Xavier, Denver 80219. *Dave Hutchinson + Rebecca - Patty Eichelmeier - what ridge to Longmont*

→ 16, Sunday, 7:00 AM. Milton & Latham Reservoirs. Meet as on May 1, and at 8:00 AM at the home of John & Margery Lett, leaders, Route 1, Box 222A, Platteville, Colo. 80651.

→ *Sat. Grasslands with nancy*
22 & 23, Saturday & Sunday. Annual Meeting of Colorado Field Ornithologists at Woodland Park, Colo. Headquarters - Manitou Experimental Forest, Rocky Mtn. Forest and Range Experiment Station, 7 miles north of Woodland Park. Accommodations - There is a campground nearby, motels in Woodland Park, and ladies can be accommodated in the lodge.

29, Saturday, 7:00 AM. Buckhorn Creek and nearby lakes, west of Loveland. Meet as on May 8. Henry & Vi Bossman, leaders. *

30, Sunday, 7:30 AM. Barr & Mile High Lakes. Meet as on May 1. Ray Olson, ldr. *

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April '71

Red-necked Grebe MB, H&VB, RB, PE, BH, JW	Bell's Vireo RB, LH
Little Blue Heron RB, LH	Yellow-throated Vireo MB, H&VB, LH, JW
Yellow-crowned Night Heron RB	Philadelphia Vireo RB, PE, LH, JW
Least Bittern MB, H&VB, AC, PE, LH, BH	Prothonotary Warb. H&VB, RB, LH, NH, JW
White-fronted Goose RB, LH, BH	Worm-eating " H&VB, RB, AC, JC, PE, H&LH, BH, NH, JW
Ross Goose MB, H&VB, RB, JC, LH, BH, JR	Golden-winged Warbler H&VB, RB, LH
Black Duck RB, AC, LH, JW	Parula Warbler H&VB, RB, LH
Greater Scaup AC	Magnolia Warbler LC, JW
Old-Squaw BH	Black-throat. Blue Warb. H&VB, RB, JC, LH, JW
White-winged Scoter BH	Black-throated Gray Warbler LH
Surf Scoter MB, BH, JW	Black-throated Green Warbler H&VB, RB
Broad-winged Hawk RB	Blackburnian Warbler RB, LH, JW
Osprey CM	Chestnut-sided Warbler RB, LH
Peregrine Falcon JC, BH	Bay-breasted Warbler RB, LH
Piping Plover MB, RB, LH	Blackpoll Warbler LC, LH, JW
Snowy Plover LH, BH	Pine Warbler H&VB, RB, LH
American Golden Plover RB, JW	Palm Warbler RB, LH
Ruddy Turnstone RB, BH	Ovenbird RB, LC
American Woodcock MB, H&VB, AC, LH, BH, JW	Northern Waterthrush LC
Upland Plover PE, LH	Hooded Warbler H&VB, RB, JC, LH, BH, JW
Knot H&VB, RB, BH	Canada Warbler MB, RB, AC, LH, JW
White-rumped Sandpiper AC, JC, RS	American Redstart LC, CM
Dunlin JW	Bobolink BH, CM
Whimbrel BH, JW	Rusty Blackbird JW
Buff-breast. Sandp. H&VB, RB, AC, PE, LH, BH, JR,	Scarlet Tanager LH
Black-necked Stilt RB, BH (JW)	Summer Tanager LH, BH
Pomarine Jaeger RB, JC, PE, LH, BH	Rose-breasted Grosbeak LH, CM
Parasitic Jaeger RB, LH, HH, BH, JW	Blue Grosbeak BH, RS
Glaucous Gull RB, PE, BH, JW	Indigo Bunting CM
Sabine's Gull H & VB, RB, LH, BH	Dickcissel LH, CM, RS
Common Tern LH, JW	White-winged Crossbill RB, LH
Least Tern LH, BH	Baird's Sparrow RB, PE, LH, CM, RS, JW
Black-billed Cuckoo LH, RS	Grasshopper Sparrow BH, CM, RS
Screech Owl BH	Sage Sparrow MB, H&VB, RB, PE, LH, BH, RS
Flammulated Owl H&VB, JC, PE, HH, LH, BH, JR, GS,	Golden-crowned Sparrow JW
Snowy Owl HH, LH, BH, GS (JW)	Swamp Sparrow PE, LH, RS
Pygmy Owl CB, H&VB, PE, BH	Snow Bunting MB, RB, AC, PE, LH, BH, GS, JW
Spotted Owl MB, H&VB, RB, AC, JC, PE, LH, JR,	
Saw-whet Owl MB, H&VB, RB, JC, PE, (MOS, JW)	
(HH, LH, BH, MOS, RS, JW)	
Poor-will H&VB, PE, LH, BH, JR	Merle Barbour 781-2904
Calliope Hummingbird H&VB, PE, BH, NH, RS	Christine Bonney 322-1808
Rivoli's Hummer H&VB, RB, BH, NH, JR	Vi & Henry Bossman 781-6855
Red-bellied Woodpecker AC, LH	Robert Buttery 986-0698
N. three-toed Woodp. H&VB, LC, JC, MOS, RS	Lori Chappell 744-2094
Vermilion Flycatcher H&VB	Allegra Collister 1-776-2694
Great Crested Flycatcher LH	John Cooper 237-4855
Ash-throated Flycatcher LH, BH	Patty Echelmeyer 233-4947
Winter Wren H&VB, LH, JW	Harold & LaVona Holt 936-8845
Varied Thrush MB, BH	Nancy Hurley 757-0837
Wood Thrush MB, RB, LH	Beverly Hutchins 758-2216
Gray-cheeked Thrush RB, JC, LH	Cicely Mellor 777-8892
Veery RB	Jack Reddall 771-5308
Sprague's Pipit MB, LH, BH, CM, JR, JW	George Shier 279-1990
	Mildred O. Snyder 366-7610
	Robert Spencer 279-4682
	Jean White 935-6934

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APRIL 1971 FIELD TRIPS

- * Not regularly scheduled trips, but of interest.

SPECIES

⑨ Cattle Egret 1 in breeding plumage from 20th at Barr CB & many. 1st SPRING RECORD
2nd AREA RECORD (PHOTOS)

(1 Barr MOS 1

April	3	3	4	4	10	17	17	18	24	24	25	24-25		
AREA	CCR	CAST	BOW	DEER	BARR	BARR	BEAR	MORR	PAWN	BARR	WATER	BARR	N.PRK	
HABITAT	PLN	FOOT	PLN	FOOT	PLN	PLN	PLN	FOOT	PLN	PLN	PLAIN	PLN	MTNS	
SPECIES														
Black-crowned Night Heron	(10										9	14		
White-faced Ibis	(1 MHDC	JR	NEW	EARLY	RECORD	2	on	21st	CCRA	JR	5			
Mute Swan	3													
Canada Goose	6	37		8				3		22	4			
White-fronted Goose	NEW LATE RECORD										5) Littleton	HK		
Snow Goose	4													
Mallard	100	10	4	27	820	16	2	664	5	300	12			
Gadwall	6	2	43	18	370	27	6	450	2	250	50			
Pintail				11	460				45	110	10			
Green-winged Teal	3				13	74				100	4	37	15	
Blue-winged Teal				2	11	55	6	150	4	22	10			
Cinnamon Teal	2				4	29				10	14	26		
American Widgeon	55	1			6	237				200	20	7	40	
Shoveler				10	53	1120				1100	2	400	30	
Redhead	120	20	1	2	2	13				2	30	3	6	
Ring-necked Duck				2				2						10
Canvasback					20						2	14	6	
Lesser Scaup	10	15			17	310	6	900				85	50	
Common Goldeneye				1				1						
Bufflehead					1	21	10	25	3	12	4			
Ruddy Duck	100				29	600	1	800				450		
Common Merganser				6	7				3					
Red-breasted Merganser	11	on	9th	Marston	JR	2			Marston	Res.	HK			
Turkey Vulture											4			
Sharp-shinned Hawk	1	on	9th	Barr	JR									
Cooper's Hawk				1										
Red-tailed Hawk	1	2				2	4	1	1	1				
Krider's Red-tailed Hawk						1								
Swainson's Hawk	2	on	10th	Pawnee	NH	(1	2	2						
Rough-legged Hawk	3				2	2	4	1						
Ferruginous Hawk	1	Arsenal	JR				1							
Golden Eagle	1	on	2nd	CCRA	JR	1								
Bald Eagle	1	on	28th	Golden	RS	NEW	LATE	RECORD						
Marsh Hawk	3				3	2	1	3	2					
Osprey											(1			
Pigeon Hawk											1			
Sparrow Hawk	10	3	8	4	8	12	3	8	6	3	3			
Sage Grouse													85	
Greater Prairie Chicken	1	on	18th	Wray	H&LH,JR									
Ring-necked Pheasant	1				3	5	1	1	5	3				
Chukar						6								
Sandhill Crane						6)								
American Coot	15	2			38	84	64	300	4	65	100			
Semipalmated Plover													(6	
Killdeer	2	2	2	6	12	4	2	17	5	4	1			
Mountain Plover								4						
Common Snipe					6	1	8	1						
Long-billed Curlew									(1	Castlewood	BB			
Solitary Sandpiper									(2	1				
Willet									(2	3				
Greater Yellowlegs					2	4	12	4	5					
Lesser Yellowlegs	5	on	9th	MHDC	JR	3	9	6	2	8				
Baird's Sandpiper					2				7					
Least Sandpiper						(1	NEW	EARLY	RECORD	2	17			
Long-billed Dowitcher									12	31				
Western Sandpiper	(3	on	21st	CCRA	JR				1					
Sanderling													5	
American Avocet					8	10	29	11	1					
Wilson's Phalarope						(1	190	5	13					
California Gull	2	on	21st	CCRA	JR									
Ring-billed Gull				2	2	3	2							
Franklin's Gull	(25				30	1	14	2	10					
Bonaparte's Gull						(3	DT	3	2					
Forster's Tern	(2	on	21st	CCRA	JC				2					
Band-tailed Pigeon						NEW	EARLY	RECORD	2	Evergreen	BB			
Rock Dove	5	2	2	4	30	30	81	8	2					
Mourning Dove	1				3	5	6	20	24	4	45			
Barn Owl									1	Bonny	Res.	HK		
Great Horned Owl						1	2							
Burrowing Owl	2	Waterton	HK				4	1	3	1	1			
Short-eared Owl	3	on	21st	CC	Res.	JR				3				
White-throated Swift	(1	on	8th	Red	Rocks	JC	2				7foot			
Broad-tailed Hummingbird	(1	on	26th	Golden	HT	1	on	29th	Deer	Creek	Canyon	GB		
Belted Kingfisher						1								

April	3	3	4	4	10	17	17	18	24	25	24-25			
AREA	CCR	CAST	BOW	DEER	BARR	BARR	BEAR	MORR	PAWN	BARR	WATER	BARR	N.PRK	
HABITAT	PLN	FOOT	PLN	FOOT	PLN	PLN	PLN	FOOT	PLN	PLN	PLAIN	PLN	MTNS	
SPECIES														
Yellow-shafted Flicker				1	CC	Res.	JR							
Red-shafted Flicker	3	2	1	3	5	7	6	3		9	6	8		
Lewis' Woodpecker		3												
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker				(1	on 16th	CC	Res.	JR						
Williamson's Sapsucker				(2	on 12th	Genesee	Mt.	PE						
Hairy Woodpecker										3				
Downy Woodpecker										2	8			
Say's Phoebe									(1	2		4		
83 Vermilion Flycatcher				1	on 17-18th	Bear	Valley	BB						
Horned Lark	5				6	48			100	8		8	30	
Violet-green Swallow				(1	on 16th	CCRA	JR		2	on 19th	SE	Denver	HK	
Tree Swallow				14	Chatfield	HK	NEW	EARLY	RECORD			2		
Barn Swallow					4	1	7			5	4	12		
Cliff Swallow	2	SE	Denver	on 19th	HK									
Gray Jay		2	Squaw	Mtn.	HH									
Blue Jay		3			FC	all	month	in	Denver					
Steller's Jay		2			8				5					
Scrub Jay		6			7				6		2foot			
Black-billed Magpie	28	14	15	6	11	35	28	4	4	63	16	26	6	
Common Raven		3												
Common Crow		2				6	1	5			2		4	
Clark's Nutcracker	3	Squaw	Mtn.	HH										
Black-capped Chickadee	2	3		17	2	3		1		9	8	1		
Mountain Chickadee	1	on 9th	Barr	JR									1	
White-breasted Nuthatch		1		2							3			
Pigmy Nuthatch		10	Genesee	Mtn.	HH									
Dipper				3				2			1foot			
House Wren						NEW	EARLY	RECORD		(1	Waterton	HK		
Rock Wren										(2	on 25th	Barr	PE	
Mockingbird	1	all	month	feeder	Cherry	Cr.	Village	JR						
Brown Thrasher										(1		1		
Sage Thrasher						(1							1	
Robin	27	8	56	100	8	16	10	16	1	38	80	48	10	
Hermit Thrush										(1		1		
Eastern Bluebird										1	Bonny	Res.	HK	
Western Bluebird	1	on 9th	Sedalia	JR										
Mountain Bluebird		5		10									12	
Golden-crowned Kinglet												1		
Ruby-crowned Kinglet												2		
Water Pipit	1	on 9th	Barr	JR	1	on 21st	CCRA	JR		10		6		
Bohemian Waxwing						23	Dillon	HK						
Loggerhead Shrike								1		1		10		
Starling	70	15	10	4	31	57	40	3	12	105	53	40		
100 Blue-winged Warbler											2	Bonny	JW	
150 Orange-crowned Warbler				(3	on 25th	Barr	PE		3	on 27th	Morrison	JC		
Virginia's Warbler				(1	on 28th	Morrison	JC							
Parula Warbler								(1	Waterton	HK				
Myrtle Warbler								(5	Waterton	HK	8	6	16	
Audubon's Warbler								(8	Waterton	HK	4	3	12	
114 Palm Warbler				(1	banded	on 28th	Aurora	MOS		NEW	EARLY	RECORD		
114 Yellowthroat										(1				
Wilson's Warbler								(1	on 23rd	Waterton	JC	3		
House Sparrow	20	15	10		17	66	6		6	80		30	6	
Western Meadowlark	42	13	14		23	113	10	2	50	185	25	72		
Yellow-headed Blackbird	2				27	60	22			45	41	108	12	
Redwinged Blackbird	18	12	43		379	373	36			950		500	12	
Brewer's Blackbird					(4		2					1		
Common Grackle	1	JR			1	25	2			19	20	26		
Brown-headed Cowbird	(3	on 13th	Wheatridge	PE						6			2	
Black-headed Grosbeak	(1	on 28th	Wheatridge	PE										
Evening Grosbeak	3	Waterton	HK		15	on 27th	SE	Denver	HK					
Cassin's Finch	18	7	3		4	2	3			3				
House Finch	1	to 4	on 15th-19th	Lakewood	JC									
Pine Siskin						21				36		43		
American Goldfinch				2		3					4			
Green-tailed Towhee	(1	on 28th	Wheatridge	PE										
Rufous-sided Towhee		1		3				(4			3	3	1	
Savannah Sparrow								(2						
Vesper Sparrow	(1	on 4th	CCRA	JR		1	12		54	17		5		
Cassin's Sparrow	1	still	at	Evergreen	where	it	has	been	wintering	since	11-5-70	MM		
White-winged Junco											1)	NEW	LATE	RECORD
Slate-colored Junco	1			1	CCRA	JR								
Oregon Junco	4											1	2	
Gray-headed Junco				5						4				

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It was a promising morning when 22 people met at 4:00 A. M. in Englewood to leave for a 40 mile trip to Castle Rock to observe the courtship display of the Sharp-tailed Grouse. We arrived on the strutting grounds still in the dark, but under a full moon sitting in the west, with the temperature at 45° and a calm wind. We had five cars lined up in position to observe the birds as it started to become lighter with sunrise approaching. The birds were already on the grounds when we arrived. We could see their forms in the moonlight. The sun arose at 5:30 as the moon set, and we all enjoyed the displays of 11 grouse from the shelter of the cars until well after sunrise. Many people took photos from 75-100 feet until we left at 6:45 A. M. It was a beautiful Easter morning. Participants in the trip were Merle Barbour, Christine Bonney, Dr. & Mrs. Chadwick, Lori Chappell, John & Joyce Cooper, Mary Cornelius, Dave DeSante (Stanford U.), Patty Echelmeyer, Bill Gillespie, Royal Harshman, Harold & LaVona Holt, Vi Hubka, De Hudson, Mrs. Marye, Sadie Morrison, Jane Newcombe, Jack Reddall, Vito Tursi, Mr. & Mrs. Vincent Winn.

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CORNELL NEST RECORD PROGRAM

The House Finches reported nesting last month successfully fledged 4 young before the end of April. Harold Holt reported House Finches he observed had completed nesting by the 19th. It shows we need to keep our eyes and ears open. Say's Phoebe's were building a nest under the eaves of a house at Louviers May 1, reported by Jean White. Think about nests when you are on out of state trips. Cornell needs and wants these records even though they don't further our knowledge of Colorado birdlife. Let's work to make it a great season. For cards or information, please contact Nancy Hurley, 1875 S. Adams St., Denver 80210, phone 757-0837.

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Save used commemorative stamps for the above program and deliver to Patty Echelmeyer,
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NO REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING UNTIL SEPTEMBER
***** SPECIAL EVENT: Dedication of Rock Creek Nesting Area - See Field Trips

MAY 1971 FIELD TRIPS

- May 1 - Arsenal, Barr & Mile Hi Lakes. Harold Holt, leader. (Clear, calm, 73°-11 hrs)
Bob Andrews, Merle Barbour, Christine Bonney, Dr. Chadwick, Lori Chappell,
John & Joyce Cooper, Royal Harshman, LaVona Holt, Beverly Hutchins, Berneice
Merry, Paul Mungan, Edith Schmeckle, Mary Jane Schock, Mildred Snyder, Bob &
Shirley Spencer, Joe Trainer, Ted Trainer. (94 species)
- 2 - Waterton. Hugh Kingery, leader. (Clear-11 1/2 hrs.) Merle Barbour, John &
Joyce Cooper, Mary Cornelius, Maggie Denny, Libby Goodwin, Bev Hutchins, Vi
Hubka, Ron Lestina, Marge McWilliams, B. Merry, Mike Morgan, Nancy Pearson,
June Rynders. (70 species)
- 8 - Upper South Platte, South Park. John & Joyce Cooper, leaders. (Cloudy, rain
& snow showers-7 1/2 hrs.) Viola Hubka, Cicely Mellor, Paul & Bernice Merry,
Sadie Morrison, Vito Tursi. (51 species)
- 9 - Red Rocks & Morrison. Don Thatcher, leader. (Cloudy, cool-4 1/2 hrs.)
Maggie Denny, Robert Glover, Paul & Bernice Merry, Patricia Thorsberg, Ted &
Jo Trainer, Vito Tursi. (37 species)
- May 15 - Spring Count
Bonny Dam - Jack & Grace Welch, Robert Spencer. (Warm, clear to prtly cloudy-
15 1/2 hrs.) Idalia picnicground to Hale Ponds (112 species)
- Baca County - Bill Anderson, Rich Bottorf, Eva Carlin, Lori Chappell, Terry
Cole, Babette Cranson, Sam Gadd, Lesley Julian, Hugh Kingery,
Jane Miles, Lois Schultz, Lois Webster, Lois Wolff. 5/14 Two
Buttes, 5/15 Cottonwood & Carrizo Plains, 5/16 SE Two Buttes,
highest count only used. (133 species)
- N, north - Christine Bonney, Patty Echelmeyer, David & Becky Hutchinson, Ron
Lestina. (Cloudy, not cold-8 hrs.) Westminster to Loveland (72 sp)
Also included are some of the birds marked b from the Boulder
Bird Club count.
- E, east - Harold & LaVona Holt, Royal Harshman. (Overcast, rain P.M., 50°-75°-
11 hrs.) Barr, Mile Hi Lakes. (84 species) John & Joyce Cooper.
(Warm, overcast-7 hrs.) Banner Lakes, Prospect & Horse Creek Res.
(61 species)
- SW, south-west - Don Thatcher. (Fair, warm-8 hrs.) Red Rocks, Morrison, Echo
Lake. (51 species) Roberta Ausfahl, Merle Barbour, Phyllis
Caswell, Sadie Morrison. (Partly cloudy, pleasant, showers in
P.M.- 11 hrs.) Lower Bear Creek to Morrison, Little Turkey
Creek to Willow Springs. (54 species) Mildred Snyder,
Josephine Trainor. (2 showers P.M.-12 1/2 hrs.) McClellan
Res., Waterton, W. Plum Creek from Sedalia, Jackson Cr. (74sp)
- Flagler State Recreation area, Limon - George & Marie Shier. (Fair-9 hrs.)
(58 species)
- 16 - Platteville, Latham Res., Milton Lake. John & Marjorie Lett, leaders.
(Sunny-7 hrs.) Merle Barbour, June Blunt, Christine Bonney, Charles M. Brad-
ford, K. Buel, Ward Chadwick, Allegra Collister, Joyce & John Cooper, Mary
Cornelius, Margaret Denny, Chuck & Emily Durham, Kenneth Hill, Ellen Holm,
Beverly Hutchins, Sadie Morrison, Mr. & Mrs. Paul Mungan, Ann Schumaker,
Margaret Sikes, Robert & Nancy Stocker, Don & Hazel Thatcher, Patricia Thors-
berg, Vito Tursi, Betsy Webb. (82 species)
- 29 - Sloan's Lake to Buckhorn Creek. David Hutchinson, leader. (10 1/2 hrs.)
Ward & Marge Chadwick, Beverly Hutchins, Becky & Jeff Hutchinson, Thompson
& Susan Marsh, Berneice Merry, Sadie Morrison, Robert Spencer. (77 species)
- 30 - Barr Lake area. R. E. Olson, leader. (Clear, warm-8 hrs.) M. Barbour, B.
Miller, Sr., B. Miller, Jr., J. Newcomb. (64 species)

May	1	2	8	9	15	15	15	15	15	15	16	29	30
AREA	BARR	WATR	SPRK	RRP	BONN	BACA	Denver	Area	FSRA	LATH	BUCK	BARR	
HABITAT	PLN	PLN	MTS	FOOT	PLN	PLN	N	S-W	PLN	PLN	PLN	PLN	
SPECIES													
Common Loon						1							
Horned Grebe	14							1	1)				
Eared Grebe	43		2		30	22		11				5	
Western Grebe	42				2	2	4	49	6		20		5
Pied-billed Grebe	4		1		2		2	8	8	1	1	3	3
White Pelican											45		
D.-c. Cormorant	53				5			62			7	7	17
Great Blue Heron	31	4			5	1	9	46	1	3	15	8	9
Green Heron			1	Bonny	HK	1							
① Cattle Egret	1											Barr	1 JR
Snowy Egret			1			7	2				1		
B.-c. Night Heron	18				2		5	27			2	1	12
American Bittern	(1				1	2	2		1		1	1	2
White-faced Ibis	3							1			5		
Mute Swan	All month		BowMar										
Canada Goose		8			26	4	12	7	43		4	18	
Mallard	180	17	21		18	6	50	232	75	12	50	125	16
① Black Duck					1								
Gadwall	57	114	40		4	6	20	129	23	20	5	27	3
Pintail	36		2			2	1	56			6	5	22
Green-winged Teal	22	23	6		4	8	10	38	6		2	18	
Blue-winged Teal	41	100	2		30	16	35	89	6	30	30	12	10
Cinnamon Teal	14	6					4	29		4	4	5	11
American Widgeon	43	2	15		12	34	2	11		8	2	3	6
Shoveler	68	10	38		55	43	8	93	3	12	75	35	16
Wood Duck		2	2	Bonny	HK								
Redhead	6	2	30		4	1	20	16			4	22	8
Ring-necked Duck			3				2)b						
Canvasback	3				2			1)					
Lesser Scaup	37	8	20		6		4	9	1			8	
Common Goldeneye			2	Bonny	J&GW								
Bufflehead	1		1						2			1)	
Ruddy Duck	71		9		40	14	11	68			1	7	9
Common Merganser			4	Bonny	J&GW							1	
Turkey Vulture		4			4	4			3				
Goshawk												1	Kittridge HH
Sharp-shinned Hawk		1	1)on	11th S.	Denver	RG							
Cooper's Hawk	1 on	7th	RRP	JC									
Red-tailed Hawk	2	2	1		2	1		2	2		1	6	1
Broad-winged Hawk	1		1	Bonny	HK								
Swainson's Hawk	5		1		2	17	1	5		1	4	1	3
Rough-legged Hawk	2)												
Ferruginous	2				1	1							1
Golden Eagle		1	Arsenal	JR		1			1				
Marsh Hawk	6				2	3		2		2	1		5
Osprey	1) on	7th	Lakewood	JC									
Prairie Falcon						2			1				
② Peregrine Falcon		1	Barr	JR	1	Barr	PE	1)					
Pigeon Hawk		1	Barr	JR	1	on	21st	RRP	DH				
Sparrow Hawk	4	6	1		8	7	15	5	9		2	18	3
Blue Grouse	2 on	31st	Coal Creek	Canyon	PE								
① Lesser Prairie Chicken						19							
Scaled Quail						6							
Bobwhite					5	2							
Ring-necked Pheasant	9				26	2	2	5	2	2	3		3
Chukar	1												
Virginia Rail			2	Bonny	J&GW		1b				1		
① Sora			1	"		2	(1b				2		
American Coot	60	20	32		100	1	50	111	17		10	20	24
Semipalmated Plover	2					2							
Snowy Plover	5 on	11th	Antero	Resv.	HK								
Killdeer	8	3	3		26	15	15	12	8	50	13	18	8
Mountain Plover		4	Nunn	HH		2							
Black-bellied Plover	18 on	11th	Antero	Resv.	HK			1)					
Common Snipe	2				1		1	4				1	1
Long-billed Curlew			5	Baca	Co.	HH	55						
④ Whimbrel						9		1					
Upland Plover						13							
Spotted Sandpiper	(2	2			11	6		13	2	20	1	1	1
Solitary Sandpiper	1						1)b						
Willet	2	2					1	9)					
Greater Yellowlegs	2						1)b						
Lesser Yellowlegs	6							1)					
Pectoral Sandpiper	1 on	11th	Baca	Co.	JC								

May	1	2	8	9	15	15	15	15	15	15	16	29	30
AREA	BARR	WATR	SPRK	RRP	BONN	BACA	Denver	Area	FSRA	LATH	BUCK	BARR	
HABITAT	PLN	PLN	MTS	FOOT	PLN	PLN	N	E	S-W	PLN	PLN	PLN	PLN
SPECIES													
Baird's Sandpiper	1				1								
Least Sandpiper	3					1		4			9)		
Long-billed Dowitcher	16	4			2	5	2	4		5	8		
Stilt Sandpiper						20							
Semipalmated Sandpiper	3	1)	on 23rd Longmont		PE								
Western Sandpiper					3								
Marbled Godwit	23	on 11th Antero Resv.,	Park Co.	HK									
Sanderling					4								
American Avocet	19		13		14	7	32		1		12	10	
Black-necked Stilt													1
Wilson's Phalarope	612		9		64	200	8	107		8	8	5	
Northern Phalarope								(300					
California Gull	3				1	11	15				8		
Ring-billed Gull	15	1	3		4	10	30	3	2		1	22	2
Laughing Gull											3		
Franklin's Gull		22			4	14					1		20)
Forster's Tern	3				1		2	6	1	1	2		
Black Tern					150	35		7			7		4
Band-tailed Pigeon									4				
Rock Dove	12	15		100	2	4		4	25		5		18
Mourning Dove	87	47	33	3	300	110	50	133	94	75	50	100	31
Yellow-billed Cuckoo						1	(1 on 31st E Denver	RC					
Roadrunner						1							
Barn Owl								2b					
Screech Owl						2		2b					
Great Horned Owl	5	2		2	3	3		5	5		3		
Burrowing Owl	4	3			2	21		2					2
Long-eared Owl								3b					
Short-eared Owl	4					1		4					
Poor-will				1 Bonny J&GW	2	4	on 20th Barr	DT					
Common Nighthawk					4		(1 on 26th Denver	HK					
Chimney Swift			(4 SE Denver all month	HK									
White-throated Swift			11						11			17(tr)	
Black-chinned Hummingbird						2							
Broad-tailed Hummingbird									2				
Belted Kingfisher		6			4		4		5		1	5	
Yellow-shafted Flicker					3								
Red-shafted Flicker	9	10	1	3		4	6	6	12		4	10	5
Red-headed Woodpecker					14	1		3					2
Lewis' Woodpecker	2	resident Lakewood	HH			22	2		2			1	
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker			2										
Hairy Woodpecker								11b					
Downy Woodpecker	2	16			6		1	1	3		2		
Northern Three-toed Woodpecker			1 on 11th Park Co.	HK									
Eastern Kingbird					30	4		(22	1	1	3	3	10
Western Kingbird	(1	1			36	35	3	52	9	12	30	16	25
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher						4							
Ash-throated Flycatcher						7							
Eastern Phoebe						4							
Say's Phoebe	1		1	3	1	1			3			1	RA
Traill's Flycatcher					1				1		(1		1
Least Flycatcher						1							
Hammond's Flycatcher													
Western Flycatcher													
Eastern Wood Pewee						1							
Western Wood Pewee					1			(1				3	4
Olive-sided Flycatcher						2		(1			1		
Horned Lark	24	2	18		6	140		60	1	50	12		8
Violet-green Swallow	4			2			10		11				
Tree Swallow		4						3	6				
Bank Swallow									6			8	2
Rough-winged Swallow					75	2	1			12		5	14
Barn Swallow	32	28		3	10	2	100	46	12	2	75	350	20
Cliff Swallow		1		6	700	3	400		27			250	
Purple Martin					2								
Gray Jay									1			Squaw Mtn.	1 JR
Blue Jay					12	3	1				1	2	
Steller's Jay			13										
Scrub Jay				3		3			4				
Black-billed Magpie	27	7	11	2	5	6	40	63	95	2	6	85	12
Common Raven		1	3			1	1		5				
White-necked Raven						4							
Common Crow		2	10		20	1	7		4			8	
Pinon Jay						2	5b						

May	1	2	8	9	15	15	15	15	15	16	29	30
AREA	BARR	WATR	SPRK	RRP	BONN	BACA	Denver	Area	FSRA	LATH	BUCK	BARR
HABITAT	PLN	PLN	MTS	FOOT	PLN	PLN	N	E	S-W	PLN	PLN	PLN
SPECIES												
Clark's Nutcracker			2						2		Echo Lake	1 JR
Black-capped Chickadee	3	12		1	2		4	3	6		4	5
Mountain Chickadee			21						2			
Plain Titmouse							2					
Common Bushtit							10					
White-breasted Nuthatch		1		1) on 10th	Waterton	HK						
Red-breasted Nuthatch			1	Bonny	HK			1)				
Brown Creeper							2b					
Dipper				1					3		2 (tr)	
House Wren	1	52		3	30	2	2	8	24	2	4	5
Bewick's Wren						22						
Long-billed Marsh Wren											6	
Canon Wren				2		3			3			
Rock Wren	2	1				22				1	1	
Mockingbird	1	1			8	20		2		1		1
Catbird					2				(3		2	3
Brown Thrasher		1			16	2				3	1	2
Sage Thrasher	1)											
Robin	17	22	11	4	5		25	10	46	1	6	50
Hermit Thrush	1							2			1)	
Swainson's Thrush (1 on 12th S Denver LM					16	2	2	9		2	6	1
Veery				1	Bonny	J&GW						
Eastern Bluebird				7	Bonny	HK	2					
Western Bluebird									4			
Mountain Bluebird			11						8			
Townsend's Solitaire		1				1			1			
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher SE Denver (1 RA				3					2			
Golden-crowned Kinglet											Summit Co.	4 HK
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	1		2		1		3b		1			
Water Pipit							9)b		30	2		
Cedar Waxwing					10							
Loggerhead Shrike	9				1	4		1			1	1
Starling	82	19	9	3	50	3	150	63	165	1	50	150
Solitary Vireo							(3b 1 on 17th Denver HH				3	
Red-eyed Vireo (2 on 10th Waterton HK								1			Waterton	6 JR
Philadelphia Vireo						1 (Lamar)						
Warbling Vireo			(1								1	
Black-and-white Warbler	1									1		
98 Worm-eating Warbler					1							
Tennessee Warbler					1	1	4b		1			
153 Orange-crowned Warbler		2		1	2			4	2		1	(1) on 26th
Nashville Warbler			1	Bonny	HK	1						Aurora MOS
Virginia's Warbler				5				1	14			3(tr)
Parula Warbler		1	2 on 10th	Waterton	HK	1 on 21st	Waterton	HK				
Yellow Warbler		(3			5	11	20	7	22	3	5	30
Myrtle Warbler	10	9		5	21	3	3	17	7	1	1	
Audubon's Warbler	6	24		12	16	5	3	20	24	15		
Black-throat.Gray Warb. 1 on 14th Boulder				1		1	1 on 19th SE Denver	HK				
Townsend's Warbler				1	Bonny	HK						
107 Black-throat. Green Warbler				1	Bonny	HK						
Blackburnian Warbler					1		1b					
111 Chestnut-sided Warbler									(1			
Blackpoll Warbler 1 on 11th Englewood BA					1							
Northern Waterthrush						2	1b					
MacGillivray's Warb. 1 on 14th Lakewood JC					1	1		1		1	1	Wheatridge
145 Yellowthroat					40	2	3	23	4	9	4	30
Yellow-breasted Chat			(3		2	1			13	1		
Wilson's Warbler		1			2	1		1	1	4	3	2)
American Redstart					1				(2			10
House Sparrow	57	5	2		10	5	35	90	38	10	30	80
Western Meadowlark	110	15	6	8	28	52	60	110	56	100	30	105
Yellow-headed Black.	207		2		70	1	275	543	55		200	160
Redwinged Blackbird	415	9	22		800	36	300	172	94	100	150	300
Orchard Oriole					16	4				3		
Baltimore Oriole					9							
Bullock's Oriole					3	16	5	6	11	3	3	15
Brewer's Blackbird	75	20	41	6		1	3	18	71			8
Common Grackle	18	17			40	1	30	40	85	2	10	45
Brown-headed Cowbird		15	75	6	11	8	1	16	90	15		4
Western Tanager (1 on 4th SE Denver HK					2		1		5			
Summer Tanager										1		
Rose-breasted Grosbeak (1 on 14th Boulder						1 on 22nd S. Denver	J&GW					
Black-headed Grosbeak 1 on 13th Lakewd.JC					1		1		4	1		2
Blue Grosbeak					2	4						

(First of season
) Last of season

TRIP LEADERS PLEASE NOTE: Please send your reports, using the Denver area checklist, as soon as possible after each trip to Harold Holt, 449 S. Xavier, Denver 80219, phone 936-8845. All individual reports should arrive by the 5th of the month to be included in the current report.

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George McFall - 2115 Jackson St. - Golden 80401

There are a variety of nest reports coming in, and I hope you all have many, many more that I haven't heard about yet. It still isn't too late. Last night (6-9) I spotted an American Redstart building way up in a cottonwood. Please report nests that you think others have found too. We will combine the observations and have that much better a record for Cornell. Keep up the good work.

Nancy Hurley, 1875 S. Adams St., Denver 80210, phone 757-0837

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FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE - JULY 1971

July 3, Saturday NO TRIP

4, Sunday, 7:00 AM. Nunn, for Longspurs & Mountain Plover, etc. Meet at north parking lot, Denver Museum of Natural History. Harold Holt, leader. *

10, Saturday, 7:00 AM. Banner Lakes & Prospect Valley. Meet as on 4th. Van Remsen, leader. *

11, Sunday, 7:00 AM. Red Rocks Park. Meet at 25th & Sheridan. Don Thatcher, leader. 1/2 day

**** 17 & 18, Saturday & Sunday. Dedication of the Rock Creek Bird Nesting Area to Dr. Alfred M. Bailey. Ceremonies begin at 12:00 noon Saturday at Rock Creek. Meet at 9:00 AM at bridge over Clear Creek on U. S. Hiway 6 in Golden on Sat. Those who wish to camp overnite at Rock Creek may do so. D. M. Thatcher,ldr.*

24, Saturday, 7:30 AM. Coal Creek Canyon & Middle Boulder Creek for hummers. Meet as on 11th. Sadie Morrison, leader. *

25, Sunday, 7:00 AM. Barr Lake area. Meet as on 4th. Harold Holt, leader. *

31, Saturday, 8:00 AM. Mt. Evans. Meet at Dry Creek Shopping Center, US 285 & S. Logan, Englewood. Lynn Willcockson, leader. *

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July, 1971
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June	5	5	5-6	6	12	13	26	27	27
AREA	RR-F	ECHO	PAWN	WELD	ESTES	BARR	BARR	BERG	EVANS
HABITAT	FOOT	MTNS	PLN	PLN	MTNS	PLN	PLN	FOOT	MTNS
<u>SPECIES</u>									
Eared Grebe						6			
Western Grebe						22	19		
Pied-billed Grebe						15	6		
White Pelican	40	all	month	Milton	Res.	SL			
Double-crested Cormorant				1		23	3		
Great Blue Heron				1		22	10		
<u>Green Heron</u>				2					
Snowy Egret			1			4	7		
Black-crowned Night Heron			1	2		25	11		
Canada Goose					1	23			
Mallard	2		8		2	130	16		
Gadwall			2			29			
Pintail			12			9			
Green-winged Teal						10			
Blue-winged Teal						8	4		
Cinnamon Teal						15	4		
American Widgeon						9	2		
Shoveler						16			
Redhead						21	14		
Lesser Scaup						1			
Ruddy Duck						40	4		
<u>Common Merganser</u>	LATE	RECORD	& POSSIBLY	NESTING		1f	1female		

June	5	5	5- 6	6	12	13	26	27	27
AREA	RR-F	ECHO	PAWN	WELD	ESTES	BARR	BARR	BERG	EVANS
HABITAT	FOOT	MTNS	PLN	PLN	MTNS	PLN	PLN	FOOT	MTNS
SPECIES									
Goshawk	1								
Cooper's Hawk					1				
Red-tailed Hawk			2		4	2			1
Swainson's Hawk			4			2	1		
Ferruginous Hawk			1	3			1		
Golden Eagle			4						
Marsh Hawk			1			1	4		
Prairie Falcon							1		
Sparrow Hawk	1		4	1		9	7		
Ring-necked Pheasant			4			3			
American Coot						36	8		
Killdeer			11	1	1	17	4		
Mountain Plover			14						
Common Snipe					2	2			
Long-billed Curlew	6 on 30th Yuma Co. VR								
Upland Plover	4 on 17th Milton Res. SL			1 on 27th Hudson NH					
Spotted Sandpiper				2	1	4			
Lesser Yellowlegs	2 on 21st CC Res. RA								1 NEW LATE RECORD
Baird's Sandpiper			2						
American Avocet			7	1		13	42		
Wilson's Phalarope						7	4		
California Gull				1					
Ring-billed Gull						2			
Franklin's Gull	1 on 21st CC Res. RA								
Band-tailed Pigeon								2	
Rock Dove	3					23	10		
Mourning Dove	6		400	12		110	49		
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	1 from 7th Wheatridge PE				1 on 25th E. Denver LW				
Black-billed Cuckoo				1	1 on 7th Daniel's Park MOS				
Great Horned Owl			5			3			
Pygmy Owl						3 Baca Co. LW			
Burrowing Owl						10	14		
Short-eared Owl	Nested on Lowry Bombing Range DT								
Poor-will	Heard all month along foothills HH								
Common Nighthawk			10	2					
White-throated Swift	4								4
Broad-tailed Hummingbird	9	1 alpine			18			3	7
Red-shafted Flicker	2		1	6	4	4	3	2	
Red-headed Woodpecker			1	1		4	2		
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker									1
Williamson's Sapsucker					2				
Hairy Woodpecker	1				1				
Downy Woodpecker				2					
Eastern Kingbird			9	2		14	4		
Western Kingbird			60	8		26	14		
Say's Phoebe	1		3						
Hammond's Flycatcher					2				1
Dusky Flycatcher					1				
Western Flycatcher								2	2
Western Wood Pewee	1		1	1	2	4		6	1
Olive-sided Flycatcher			1						
Horned Lark			1 alp 500	60		5	4		
Violet-green Swallow	14				25			8	8
Tree Swallow					10				1
Rough-winged Swallow				2		3			
Barn Swallow	5		56	1	4	19	20		
Cliff Swallow					18				
Purple Martin	2 on 5th Muir Springs (Ft. Morgan) JR								
Gray Jay			3						
Blue Jay				2					
Steller's Jay	3				3			1	2
Scrub Jay	2 on 12th RRP HH								
Black-billed Magpie	10		9	9	5	110	37	1	
Common Raven	4				1			1	1 alp
Common Crow								4	
Clark's Nutcracker		2							3
Black-capped Chickadee				1	2	4	2		
Mountain Chickadee	2	4						1	1
White-breasted Nuthatch								1	
Pigmy Nuthatch	1				1				
Dipper	2								
House Wren	1		2	4	7	7	1	2	3
Rock Wren	2 on 21st CC Res. RA								

June	5	5	5-6	6	12	13	26	27	27
AREA	RR-F	ECHO	PAWN	WELD	ESTES	BARR	BARR	BERG	EVANS
HABITAT	FOOT	MTNS	PLN	PLN	MTNS	PLN	PLN	FOOT	MTNS
SPECIES									
Mockingbird			2	1		7	1		
Catbird	1		1						
Brown Thrasher			2	3					
Robin	18		1		15	13	4	6	7
Swainson's Thrush			10						
Western Bluebird								1	
Mountain Bluebird	2	1			11			3	1
Townsend's Solitaire	2								
Golden-crowned Kinglet					3				
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	1	2			4				2
Water Pipit		35	alpine					alpine	10
Cedar Waxwing			1						
Loggerhead Shrike			10	2					
Starling	7		22	20	1	86	60	4	
Solitary Vireo	2							1	
Red-eyed Vireo			1	1 on 20th Lakewood JC					
Warbling Vireo			1			3	1		1
Tennessee Warbler			1						
Virginia's Warbler								1	
Yellow Warbler	4		1	1	4	5			
Magnolia Warbler			1						
Audubon's Warbler	4	2			2			1	2
Black-throated Gray Warbler			1st Summer Record?				1 Baca Co. LW		
Chestnut-sided Warbler				2 Parker WC					
Blackpoll Warbler			1						
MacGillivray's Warbler					3				
Yellowthroat	1			8		13	6		
Yellow-breasted Chat	1		1						
Wilson's Warbler	2	2			7				8
	3 males on 5th SE Denver RA			NEW	LATE	RECORD			
American Redstart	1 on 23rd & 30th Waterton			MOS					
House Sparrow	3		6	22		198	17	3	
Bobolink	male & female on 18th male on 25th Parker			MOS					
Western Meadowlark	6		200	20		93	59		
Yellow-headed Blackbird						139	29		
Redwinged Blackbird	4		8	60	15	256	90		
Orchard Oriole			1	2	3 on 21st CC Res. RA				
Bullock's Oriole	2		8			34	2		
Brewer's Blackbird	3			8	4	4			
Common Grackle			6	12	3	35	18		
Brown-headed Cowbird	2		1			2		1	
Western Tanager	3				2			2	
	1 on 9th Wheatridge PE			NEW	LATE	RECORD			
Scarlet Tanager	pair on 6th Littleton TB								
Rose-breasted Grosbeak				1 Aurora LW					
Black-headed Grosbeak	1		1	2	1 all month Wheatridge PE				
Blue Grosbeak			1		4				
Indigo Bunting	1	2 on 19th Red Rocks Park JC							
Lazuli Bunting	1 on 30th Yuma Co. VR								
Dickcissel	2			2					
Evening Grosbeak	2								
Cassin's Finch					4 Evergreen HH				
House Finch					4	3	1		
Pine Grosbeak					8				
Brown-capped Rosy Finch			6 alpine					alpine	5
Pine Siskin	3	8						5	13
American Goldfinch			7	2	1				
Lesser Goldfinch								2	
Red Crossbill			1					6	
Green-tailed Towhee					2				
Rufous-sided Towhee	1				6 RRP HH				
Lark Bunting			1000	170		6	5		
Savannah Sparrow						1			
Grasshopper Sparrow			1 Nunn JR						
Vesper Sparrow					2				
Lark Sparrow			10	12		2	2		
Cassin's Sparrow			1 Nunn JR						
Gray-headed Junco	4	1						2	2
Chipping Sparrow	5				2			4	
Brewer's Sparrow				1					
White-crowned Sparrow		3			3				4
Lincoln's Sparrow	1 on 1st SE Denver RA			NEW	LATE	DATE			3
Song Sparrow					8				
McCown's Longspur			10						

June	5	5	5-6	6	12	13	26	27	27
Chestnut-collared Longspur			1						
Total Species 168	47	14	60	43	47	67	48	28	26

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Additional Observations: 1 Black-throated Sparrow at Denver Federal Center on April 29,
 1971, John Cooper et al.
 The Cassin's Sparrow which had been wintering at Evergreen since November 5, 1970
 was last seen on May 13, 1971.

* Laughing Gull (omitted by mistake from last month's report)

At Church Lake just west of Sheridan Blvd. and north of 80th we observed a black
 headed gull, which we assumed was a Franklin's Gull. From the distance we couldn't
 get any good field marks and it was walking around. A group of us, Thompson & Susan
 Marsh, Berneice Merry, Bob Spencer and I decided to walk around the lake and take a
 closer look and maybe cause it to fly to get a look at the mantle markings. Getting
 within about 100 feet of the bird, it flew away from us and we were able to observe
 that it had a dark mantle with a white border along the back of the wings. It did not
 have a white band separating the gray mantle from the black wingtips. At this point
 we checked Peterson and Robbins and thought that maybe it was a Laughing Gull. We
 followed it, with our binoculars and noted that it had landed further on around the
 lake between two other gulls which had darkish heads but appeared to be immature birds.
 We proceeded on around wanting to get another look at the bird flying and a closer look
 at the two other dark headed gulls. We were able to get within about 75 feet and
 were able to observe that they all 3 had darkish red bills and legs and the 2 imm.
 had brownish foreheads and breasts and when they flushed we noted they were dark
 and had a white rump. The adult again showed field marks mentioned before. We felt
 that we had seen an adult and 2 first year immature Laughing Gulls.

Dave Hutchinson

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PARTICIPATE IN AUDUBON REPORTS

Many of your are familiar with the National Audubon Society publication, Audubon
 Field Notes, now renamed American Birds. It reports, on a seasonal basis, bird
 populations and bird news. As part of its program, it sponsors the Christmas Bird
 Counts and the Breeding Bird and Winter Population Censuses. The other half of its
 program is devoted to far seasonal reports, narrating interesting observations and
 population trends.

It divides the country into various regions: Colorado is divided down the middle, along
 the line where the plains meet the foothills. I have recently been appointed the
 Regional Editor for the Central Rockies area, which includes mountain (and foothills)
 Colorado. I invite you to send me your observations for the various seasons. Currently
 the Nesting Season Report, covering the months of June and July, is due; if you have
 any information or observations on birds in mountain Colorado (or elsewhere in the
 Region) I urge you to send it to me. We are interested in:

- Records of unusual breeders, and their success
- Records of usual breeders, and their success
- Population trends; comparisons with previous years
- Numbers of birds and specific dates.
- Data on late or early migrants, vagrants, non-breeding visitors, and
 post-breeding wanderers.

Hugh Kingery, 10 Emerson, Denver 80218

CORNELL NEST RECORD PROGRAM

This year I would like to get a little more information as it concerns us from the
 Cornell Nest Program. We wish to give American Birds (previously Audubon Field Notes)
 a preliminary summary of Colorado nests listing the species and numbers broken down
 for plains or mountains. The nesting season is about over so your notes should be

fairly complete but this will not be the final report. Please call me by August 10 and give me your rough counts and impressions. Let's make it so I can say thank you all for a better year than ever. Remember, this year Cornell wants all cards filled out in pencil. For cards or information, please contact

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FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE - AUGUST 1971

- August 1, Sunday, 6:00 AM. Barr Lake area (for early shorebirds). Meet at north parking lot, Denver Museum of Natural History. Van Remsen, leader. *
- 7, Saturday, 7:00 AM. Franktown & Daniels Park. Meet at Dry Creek Shopping Center (S. Logan & U.S. 285 in Englewood). Merle Barbour & Jane Newcomb, leaders. *
- 8, Sunday, 7:00 AM. Red Rocks Park. Meet at 25th & Sheridan. Donald Thatcher, leader. 1/2 day
- 14, Saturday, 7:00 AM. Rocky Mountain National Park. Meet as on 7th. Mary Cornelius & Merle Barbour, leaders. *
- 15, Sunday, 7:00 AM. Barr Lake area. Meet as on 1st. Harold Holt, ldr. *
- 21, Saturday, 7:30 AM. Franktown & Castlewood area. Meet as on 7th. Henry & Vi Bossman, leaders. *
- 22, Sunday, 6:00 AM. Jarre Canyon, near Deckers (to try for turkeys). Meet as on 7th. Van Remsen, leader. *
- 28, Saturday, 7:00 AM. Pawnee National Grasslands. Meet as on 1st. Nancy Hurley, leader. *
- 29, Sunday, 7:00 AM at 25th & Sheridan (no leader) or at 8:00 AM at Highlander Inn (near Conifer) on U. S. 285. South Park & Georgia Pass. Sylvia & Bill Brockner, leaders. *

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July	4	10	11	17	24	25	31	31
AREA	NUNN	BANN	RRP	ROCK	ELD	BARR	FILL	EVANS
HABITAT	PLAIN	PLAIN	FOOT	MTNS	MTS	PLAIN	FOOT	MTNS
SPECIES								
Eared Grebe						3		
Western Grebe		15				56		
Pied-billed Grebe		18				6		
White Pelican						1		
Double-crested Cormorant		6				59		
Great Blue Heron		12				62		
Snowy Egret						35		
*Louisiana Heron						1		
Black-crowned Night Heron		11				45		
Yellow-crowned Night Heron						2		
American Bittern		3						
Canada Goose						1		
Mallard	2	75			1	250		
Gadwall		13				105		
Pintail		3				11		
Blue-winged Teal		10				3		
Cinnamon Teal		4				2		
American Widgeon						7		
Shoveler		2				5		
Redhead		1				1		
Ruddy Duck		15				14		
<u>Hooded Merganser</u>	1f with 5 young on 30th Encampment River, 30 mi NW of Walden, just inside Colorado (Anthony Petrun) 1st COLORADO NESTING RECORD							
Common Merganser								determined to be cripple 1f Not nesting

July	4	10	11	17	24	25	31	31
AREA	NUNN	BANN	RRP	ROCK	ELD	BARR	FILL	EVANS
HABITAT	PLAIN	PLAIN	FOOT	MTNS	MTS	PLAIN	FOOT	MTNS
SPECIES								
Turkey Vulture	4-7 all month Evergreen BB							
Sharp-shinned Hawk	1 on 31st Evergreen BB							
Red-tailed Hawk	1				2		1	
Swainson's Hawk	3	4					8	
Ferruginous Hawk	3							
Golden Eagle								2
Marsh Hawk	1	2				2		
Sparrow Hawk		2				5		
Blue Grouse		4	Rampart Range HH					
White-tailed Ptarmigan	2 on 31st RMNP RS							
Ring-necked Pheasant		10						
Sora							1	
American Coot		65				96		
Killdeer	4	12				9		
Mountain Plover	18							
Common Snipe					1			
Upland Plover							4	
Spotted Sandpiper				2		7		
Willet		1 (Nesting?)						
Lesser Yellowlegs		20				4		
Baird's Sandpiper		(4				14		
Least Sandpiper		(2						
Western Sandpiper		(1						
Marbled Godwit		1 (Summer non-breeder)						
American Avocet		24				4		
California Gull		1				52		
Ring-billed Gull		4				93		
Franklin's Gull	1					65		
Forster's Tern		2				1		
Black Tern						6		
Band-tailed Pigeon	2 on 30th Rampart Range RB							
Rock Dove			40			9		
Mourning Dove	86	40	8			231		
*Flammulated Owl	on 10th just North of Florissant 4 adults - 3 nests with 8 young							
Great Horned Owl			3			2		
Burrowing Owl	1	1				27		
Common Nighthawk	10							
Black Swift	3 on 10th Mt. Evans BB#- 6 on 28th NW slope Pikes Peak RB							
Chimney Swift		7 E. Denver				2 E. Denver		
White-throated Swift		6						
Broad-tailed Hummingbird				4	58		3	2
Rufous Hummingbird	(1 on 17th Evergreen				19			
Calliope Hummingbird	(1 on 29th Evergreen MM							
Belted Kingfisher				1				
Red-shafted Flicker			2		4	9	1	3
Red-headed Woodpecker						6		
Lewis' Woodpecker	2 resident Lakewood HH							
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker				1				
Williamson's Sapsucker		4 Westcreek HH						
Hairy Woodpecker						1		
Downy Woodpecker				1	2 Georgia Pass HH, VR			
Northern Three-toed Woodpecker						1		
Eastern Kingbird	1	7				9		
Western Kingbird	16	29			4	56		
Cassin's Kingbird	1 on 2nd Parker MOS				1 on 18th Parker SM			
Say's Phoebe	6					1		
Dusky Flycatcher				2				
Western Flycatcher					1		1	
Western Wood Pewee		1		2	5		8	
Olive-sided Flycatcher				2				
Horned Lark	77	45				7		
Violet-green Swallow			6	6	18		11	
Tree Swallow					1	1 (nesting?)		
Bank Swallow						2		
Rough-winged Swallow		3				3		
Barn Swallow	6	20			3	122		
Cliff Swallow	10	1			10			
Gray Jay				2				5
Blue Jay	fairly common in Denver HH							
Steller's Jay					4			1
Scrub Jay	fairly common along foothills HH							
Black-billed Magpie	1	14	2		6	56	8	

1st DENVER AREA RECORD

July AREA HABITAT	4 NUNN PLAIN	10 BANN PLAIN	11 RRP FOOT	17 ROCK MTNS	24 ELD MTS	25 BARR PLAIN	31 FILL FOOT	31 EVANS MTNS
SPECIES								
Common Raven				1	2		1	
Common Crow					1		3	
Clark's Nutcracker					2			1
Black-capped Chickadee		1	1		4	13		
Mountain Chickadee				12	3		1	3
White-breasted Nuthatch								1
Red-breasted Nuthatch								1
Pigmy Nuthatch							3	
Brown Creeper				1				1
Dipper				1	3			
House Wren		3	1	8	6	1		
Canon Wren			2					
Mockingbird	2					2		
Catbird			2					
Sage Thrasher	1					(1		
Robin		2	1		8	14	2	1
Hermit Thrush				4				1
Swainson's Thrush				2				
Western Bluebird							2	
Mountain Bluebird				4	4		14	
Townsend's Solitaire				2	2			
Golden-crowned Kinglet				1				1
Ruby-crowned Kinglet				10	1			6
Water Pipit								8
Loggerhead Shrike	6							
Starling		8	7		10	69	1	
Solitary Vireo	2 until 17th	Evergreen BB						
Warbling Vireo		1	1					
Virginia's Warbler			5					
Yellow Warbler		3	1			1		
Audubon's Warbler				6	2		1	1
Chestnut-sided Warbler	1 on 1st singing	Jackson Creek JC (nesting?)						
MacGillivray's Warbler				2	3			
Yellowthroat		17				14		
Yellow-breasted Chat			3					
Wilson's Warbler				18				1
House Sparrow	4	130				264	4	
Bobolink	1 male on 9th	Parker MOS						
Western Meadowlark	48	35	2		7	61		
Yellow-headed Blackbird		175				58		
Redwinged Blackbird		85		4	25	282		
Bullock's Oriole		7	4			32		
Brewer's Blackbird				8		12		
Common Grackle		3				60		
Brown-headed Cowbird		3	6			1	2	
Western Tanager					4			
Black-headed Grosbeak	4 all month							
Indigo Bunting			1					
Lazuli Bunting			5					
Evening Grosbeak					3			
Cassin's Finch				2	4 all month	Evergreen BB		
House Finch			2			42		
Pine Grosbeak				2				1
Brown-capped Rosy Finch								1
Pine Siskin				16	30		1	1
Lesser Goldfinch			1					
Red Crossbill	2-5 all month	Evergreen BB						
Green-tailed Towhee			2		2		2	
Rufous-sided Towhee			12		1			
Lark Bunting	350	15				21		
Grasshopper Sparrow	3							
Vesper Sparrow	1					1		
Lark Sparrow						13		
Cassin's Sparrow	1							
Gray-headed Junco				4	6			18
Chipping Sparrow						7	3	2
Brewer's Sparrow	8							
White-crowned Sparrow				12				9
Fox Sparrow					1	1 on 28th	Rampart Rng.RB	
Lincoln's Sparrow				14	2			2
Song Sparrow		8	1		3			
McCown's Longspur	38							
Chesnut-collared Longspur	14							
Total Species 168	30	56	27	32	40	77	21	23

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FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE - SEPTEMBER 1971

September 4,5 - Labor Day Weekend, No trips scheduled

11, Saturday, First Annual Fall Count in the "BBHMP" triangle (Barr, Banner, Horse Creek, Mile High, Prospect) The four parties below will try to census this triangle, bordered on the northwest and north by Hiway 80S; on the east by the road which runs from just east of Keenesburg south along the east edge of Prospect Res.; and on the south by E. 112th Ave. The idea is to establish a specific boundary around our most important waterbird areas, and census the birds within the boundary at the same time every fall. The count will be pre-dawn to dusk, Christmas-Count style.

1. Barr Lake. 9 mile hike around lake. Jack Reddall, ldr. 771-5308
2. Mile High Lakes, Vaile Res., and surrounding plains. John Cooper, ldr. 237-4855
3. Banner Lakes, Prospect Res. Paul Julian, leader. 443-6133
4. Horse Creek Res. 7 mile hike around lake. Van Remsen, ldr. 233-2090

Call party leaders for meeting place and time. Bring lunch, lots of liquid, energy snacks, and insect repellent.

12, Sunday, 7:30 AM. South Park. Meet at Dry Creek Shopping Center, US 285 & S. Logan, Englewood. Joe & Marion Borden, leaders. *

18, Saturday, 6:30 AM. Waterton area (4 miles of walking; bring knapsack to carry lunch). Meet as on Sept. 12. Hugh Kingery, leader. *

19, Sunday, 7:00 AM. Barr Lake area. Meet at north parking lot, Denver Museum of Natural History. Harold Holt, leader. *

25, Saturday, 9:30 AM. Valmont Lake, Sawhill Res. Meet at Fairview School in Boulder. Paul Julian, leader. *

26, Sunday, 7:00 AM. Red Rocks Park. Meet at 25th & Sheridan. Don Thatcher, leader. 1/2 day.

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REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

September 28, 1971

"Wildlife of Rocky Mountain National Park"

Motion Picture by Howard Wignall

7:30 P. M. Denver Museum of Natural History (New auditorium - west side)

AUGUST 1971 FIELD TRIPS

- August 1 - Arsenal, Barr Lake, Mile High Lakes. Van Remsen, leader. (Hot, calm, clear 10 hrs.) Harold & LaVona Holt, Jack Reddall, Edie Schmechel, Allen Stokes (Logan, Utah). (77 species.)
- 7 - Daniels Park, Sedalia, Louviers. Merle Barbour & Jane Newcomb, leaders. (warm, clear-7 1/2 hrs.) Henry Bossman, Ward Chadwick, Vi Hubka. (35 sp.)
- 8 - Red Rocks Park. Donald M. Thatcher, leader. (Clear, hot-4 hrs.) Editn Schmechel, Jean Van Loan. (35 species.)
- 14 - Estes Park. Mary Cornelius & Merle Barbour, leaders. (Warm, calm-6 1/2 hrs) Margo & Ward Chadwick, Lou Cornelius (Nashville), Vi Hubka, Cecily Mellor, Ruth & Warner Reeser, Roberta & Vin Winn. (20 species)
- 15 - Barr Lake, Vaile Res. Mile High, Arsenal. Harold Holt, leader. (Hot, 60°-90°, clear, calm-8 1/2 hrs) David, Ellen & Steven Doubleday (Cornwall Bridge, Conn.), Patty Echelmeyer, Jack Reddall, Van Remsen. (74 species)
- 21 - Jordon Rd., Castlewood, Elizabeth. Vi & Henry Bossman, leaders. (Sunny, partly cloudy, 60°-85°-9 hrs) Merle Barbour, Sophia Bogart, Helen Bonnema, Helen Crisman, Arliene Parker, Martha Ann Weber, Jean VanLoan, Capt. & Mrs. J. C. M. Wood. (40 species)
- 22 - Jarre Canyon, Pine Nook area. Van Remsen, leader. (Warm, breezy-5 hrs) Merle Barbour, Sophie Bogart, Ward Chadwick, Cicely Mellor, Edie Schmechel. (28 species)
- 28 - Pawnee National Grasslands. Nancy Hurley, leader. (warm, sunny, calm-8 1/2hrs) Sophia Bogart, Howard Brokaw (Delmarva Ornithological Soc., Wilmington, Del.) Ron Harden, Abdelrahman Khangi (Sudan), Sue Merrick, Mary Robinson, Audrey, Helen, Raymond & Ron Ryder, Bob & Shirley Spencer, Jo Trainor, Jean VanLoan. (41 species)
- 29 - Evergreen, South Park, Georgia Pass. Sylvia Brockner, leader. (Clear, 48°) Merle Barbour, Sophia Bogart, Winston William Brockner, Lori Chappell, Mary Cornelius, Judi, Mark, & Tim Cowan, Viola Hubka, Cicely Mellor, Ruth Osgood, Edie P. Schmechel, Douglas Stotz. (49 species)

	1	7	8	14	15	21	22	28	29
AREA	BARR	DPRK	RRP	RMNP	BARR	CAST	JARR	PAWN	SPRK
HABITAT	PLN	FOOT	FOOT	MTNS	PLAIN	FOOT	FOOT	PLAIN	MTNS
SPECIES									
Eared Grebe	2								
Western Grebe	35				30				
Pied-billed Grebe	8				11				6
Dbl-crested Cormorant	40				30				
Great Blue Heron	42				47				
Snowy Egret	21				53			1	
Louisiana Heron	1								
Blk-crown. Night Heron	10				1				
Y.-crown. Night Heron					2				
American Bittern	1								
Canada Goose									
Mallard	800				1200			8	4
Gadwall	100				5				1
Pintail	45				325				2
Green-winged Teal	9				60				4

9 Marston Res. VR

August	7	8	14	15	21	22	28	29	
AREA	BARR	DPRK	RRP	RMNP	BARR	CAST	JARR	PAWN	SPRK
HABITAT	PLN	FOOT	FOOT	MTNS	PLAIN	FOOT	FOOT	PLAIN	MTNS
SPECIES									
Blue-winged Teal	8				45				
Cinnamon Teal	6								1
American Widgeon	4								
Shoveler	9				35				
Redhead	4				1				
Canvasback	1								
Ruddy Duck	12				3				
Common Merganser	1	crippled female							
Turkey Vulture						9			3
Red-tailed Hawk	1	5			1	3	1	1	
Swainson's Hawk	10				6			1	2
Ferruginous Hawk					2			8	1
Golden Eagle			2					1	
Marsh Hawk					3	2		8	
Prairie Falcon								3	
Sparrow Hawk	6	2	1		2	4		8	1
White-tailed Ptarmigan				7					
Ring-necked Pheasant	4				11			8	
Sora								1	CCRA JR
American Coot	50				120				16
Killdeer	16	2			52			3	
Mountain Plover								16	
Black-bellied Plover					1				
Long-billed Curlew					1			1	CCRA JR
Spotted Sandpiper	6				5				
Solitary Sandpiper	(2 JR)				3				
Greater Yellowlegs								3	CCRA JR
Lesser Yellowlegs	7				19				
Pectoral Sandpiper								(2	CCRA JR
Baird's Sandpiper	11				28				
Least Sandpiper					13				CCRA HH44
Long-billed Dowitcher	1				20				
Stilt Sandpiper								(25	CCRA JR
Semipalmated Sandpiper					(3	Marston Res.	VR	12	CCRA JR
Western Sandpiper					5				CCRA HH 17
Buff-breasted Sandpiper								1	CCRA JR
Marbled Godwit								(5	CCRA JR
American Avocet	6								
Wilson's Phalarope	2								CCRA HH 2
California Gull	13				17				
Ring-billed Gull	15				55				
Franklin's Gull	2700		8		725	Many over			Denver all month
Common Tern					1				
Black Tern	2							6	CCRA JR
Band-tailed Pigeon									40
Rock Dove	9		40		16		8		
Mourning Dove	147	25			156		7	100	
Great Horned Owl	1							1	
Burrowing Owl	22				27			3	
Common Nighthawk	Numerous over	Denver	evenings	all month					
Chimney Swift	4	museum							
White-throated Swift									
Broad-tailed Hummingbird	4		2		1				1
Rufous Hummingbird	1-3 daily	S & Den.	JW	5	2	1 on 27th	Wheatridge Pk		1
Calliope Hummingbird					(1 on 19th	Pinecliffe	JR		
Belted Kingfisher					1				
Red-shafted Flicker	6	2	4		7	3	3	1	
Red-headed Woodpecker	6	1			8			1	
Lewis' woodpecker	2	resident in Lakewood	HH			4			
Williamson's Sapsucker				1	5 on 31st	Genessee St.	VR		
Downy Woodpecker	8	1			2		1		
Northern three-toed Woodpecker									
Eastern Kingbird	17				5	6		6	
Western Kingbird	31	9			21	21		25	
Say's Phoebe	3							5	
Empidonax								1	
Western Flycatcher							1		1
Western Wood Pewee		3		4		2	2	1	1
Olive-sided Flycatcher			(1			3			1
Horned Lark	11				14	1		300	1
Violet-green Swallow			5	15					
Tree Swallow	1	(nesting?)							
Bank Swallow	18								

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HABITAT	PLN	FOOT	FOOT	MTNS	PLAIN	FOOT	FOOT	PLAIN	MTNS
SPECIES									
Rough-winged Swallow	2				1				
Barn Swallow	80	2	3		122	2		50	6
Cliff Swallow		6	1						4
Gray Jay				2					2
Blue Jay	Few resident in Denver HH								
Steller's Jay						2	9		1
Scrub Jay		4	2			9			
Black-billed Magpie	74	37		1	64	22		1	2
Common Raven		2		3					2
Common Crow	6	4							125
Clark's Nutcracker				13	1 on 31st Genessee Mt. VR				
Black-capped Chickadee	13	9	2		7	6			
Mountain Chickadee						2	25		4
White-breasted Nuthatch						5	5		
Red-breasted Nuthatch							1		
Pigmy Nuthatch						3	8		4
Brown Creeper							3		
Dipper			2	Idledale HH					
House Wren	7	1	1		3		7		2
Canon Wren			5			2			
Mockingbird	1				1				
Catbird			3						
Brown Thrasher								1	
Sage Thrasher	1				1			3	1
Robin	3	15	13	3		13	3	1	2
Western Bluebird						12			
Mountain Bluebird		3				5			24
Townsend's Solitaire							1		
Water Pipit				5					
Loggerhead Shrike					13	4		8	
Starling	54		6		15	4		6	
Red-eyed Vireo	1 on 27th Wheatridge PE								
Warbling Vireo					1				
Orange-crowned Warbler								(1 JR (back-	
Virginia's Warbler			1				5	yard)	
Yellow Warbler	6		1		5				
Audubon's Warbler							6		1
MacGillivray's Warbler							1		
Yellowthroat	16				6			1	
Yellow-breasted Chat			3						
Wilson's Warbler	1 on 27th Wheatridge PE				(1		1	1	1
American Redstart	1 on 26th Wheatridge PE								
House Sparrow	160	3			125	21		6	
Western Meadowlark	28	17	2		41	18		100	2
Yellow-headed Blackbird	35								1
Redwinged Blackbird	110	7			10		2		4
Bullock's Oriole	28		1		2 1 on 28th CCRA JR				1
Brewer's Blackbird		15		7		2			20
Common Grackle	40	7			7				
Brown-headed Cowbird	1	6	1 young						
Western Tanager			1				1		
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	1								
Black-headed Grosbeak			2			1			1
Blue Grosbeak	2							2 CCRA JR	
Lazuli Bunting			8				1		
Evening Grosbeak	2 on 31st Idledale VR								
House Finch	7	2	3		16	5			
Pine Grosbeak									6
Brown-capped Rosy Finch				1					
Pine Siskin		8		3			10		4
American Goldfinch		2			1				

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SPECIES									
Brewer's Sparrow	16	9 on 28th	CCRA	JR	6		1	25	
White-crowned Sparrow				5					6
Lincoln's Sparrow									1
Song Sparrow			1					21	CCRA JR
Total Species 165	77	35	35	20	74	40	28	41	49

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(denotes first of season

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CORNELL NEST RECORD PROGRAM

I want to thank those of you who have gotten your nest cards in, 33 contributors and 226 Colorado nests so far, and about as many from out of state, judging from the stack. Please, those of you who have not responded, the September meeting is the deadline. It is a big job to sort and copy all those cards, ---the sooner I can have them the better. We can't copy until they are all in to be sure that there are not several reporters for one nest. In that case we combine the observations, making a much better record. Don't hesitate to report a nest you think someone else is also checking. If you run out of cards put the data on paper. Please feel free to call me if you have any questions.

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10, Sunday, 7:30 AM. Barr Lake. Meet as on 9th. Harold Holt, leader. *

17, Sunday, 7:00 AM. Red Rocks Park. Meet as on 2nd. Don Thatcher, ldr. 1/2 day

24, Sunday, 8:00 AM. Barr Lake & area. Meet as on 9th. Jack Welch,ldr. *

31, Sunday, 7:00 AM - MOUNTAIN STANDARD TIME. Waterton area. Several miles of walking, bring portable lunch. Meet as on 3rd. Hugh Kingery, ldr. *

PLEASE NOTE: Hunting dates may necessitate slight changes in schedule.

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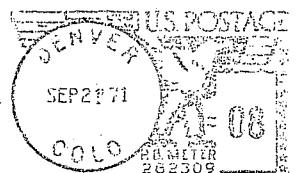
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October 26, 1971

"Wildlife Slides"

by

Mike Linshaw

7:30 P. M. Denver Museum of Natural History (New auditorium - west side)

SEPTEMBER 1971 FIELD TRIPS

- September 4 - Waterton Area. John and Joyce Cooper, Van Remsen. (Clear, cool - 5 hrs.) 60 Sp.
- 6 - Denver, Colorado to Prewitt Reservoir, Washington County returning by way of Mile High Duck Club, Vaile Reservoir and Rocky Mountain Arsenal.
Jack Reddall, Van Remsen. (Clear, visibility unlimited, 51°-91°, 14 hrs.) 115 Sp.
- 11 - Saturday, First Annual Fall Count in the "BBHMP" triangle (Barr, Banner, Horse Creek, Mile High, Prospect). The triangle boundaries are bordered on the north-west and north by Hiway 80S; on the east by the road which runs from just east of Keenesburg south along the east edge of Prospect Res.; and on the south by E. 112th Ave. (Clear, calm, 58°-93°) 134 Sp.
- Area 1. Barr Lake, Jack Reddall, leader. Douglas Buttery, Robert Buttery, Becky Cruse, Jim Cruse. (86 Species) 13 hrs.
- Area 2. Mile High Lakes and surrounding plains. John Cooper, leader. Christine Bonney, Henry and Vi Bossman, Lori Chappell, Joyce Cooper, Patty Echelmeyer, Dave Hutchinson, Steve Larson, Sadie Morrison, Mary Jane Schock. (81 Species) 12 hrs.
- Area 3. Horse Creek Reservoir and surrounding plains Van Remsen, leader. 14 hrs Robert Andrews, Hugh Kingery, Sue Merrick, Edith Schmechel (85 Species)
- Area 4. Banner Lakes, Prospect Reservoir, and surrounding plains.
Paul Julian, leader. Bob Spencer. (79 Species) 11½ hrs.
- 12 - South Park. Joe and Marion Borden, leaders. (Clear and warm - 8½ hrs.) Doris Anderson, Merle Barbour, Christine Bonney, Marion David, Maggie Denny, Joan Dunham, Kenneth Hill, Sadie Morrison, Margaret Sikes, Christine's Sister, (27 Species)
- 18 - Waterton area. Hugh Kingery, leader. (12" snow on ground, snowing A.M., clear P.M. - 10 hrs.) Sophie Bogart. (70 Species)
- 19 - Barr Lake Area. Harold Holt, leader. (4 to 6" snow on ground. 24°, clear, no wind.) Sophie Bogart, Sylvia and Bill Brockner, LaVona Holt, Hugh Kingery, Mike Linshaw, Doug Stotz, Alice Ulrich (Buffalo, N. Y.). (59 Species)
- 19 - Denver, Colorado to Rocky Mountain Arsenal, Mile High Duck Club, Prospect Res. Prospect Valley, Wiggins and Jackson Reservoir and return. Jack Reddall, observer. (Clear; 10 to 12" snow on ground in Denver area; no snow at Jackson Res. 20° - 56°, all-time September low.) 87 Species.
- 25 - Sawhill Lakes, Valmont & Boulder Reservoirs in Boulder. Paul Julian, leader. (Clear, warm - 6 hrs.) Ward Chadwick, Lori Chappell, Margaret Miller, Ruth Wheeler. (34 Species)
- 25 - Denver, Colorado to Jackson Res., returning by way of Prospect Res., Mile High Duck Club and Cherry Creek Res. (Clear, dense fog Wiggins, Goodrich, Jackson Res. area until 9:00 A.M. 41° - 80° - 11½ hrs.). Jack Reddall, observer. (91 Species).
- 26 - Red Rocks Park and Morrison. Don Thatcher, leader. (Fair and warm - 4½ hrs.) Sophia Bogart, Sylvia Brockner, Bill Brockner, Mary Cornelius, Vi Hubka, Mike Linshaw, Edith Schmechel, Roberta Schmechel, Jean Van Loan. (22 Species).

SEPTEMBER	4	6	11	12	18	19	19	25	25	26			
AREA	WAT	PRU	FALL COUNT	SP	WAT	BARR	NE	BLDR	NE	RRP			
HABITAT	PLNS	PLNS	1	2	3	4	total	MTS	PLNS	PLNS	PLNS	PLNS	FOOT
SPECIES													
* <u>Red-Necked Grebe</u>		1	(3 <u>NEW EARLY RECORD</u>				3			1	Jackson	1	Jackson
Horned Grebe						(1	1			2		5	
Eared Grebe					6	1	7					6	
Western Grebe		152	49		38	4	79			15	279	Jack-	28
Pied-billed Grebe		4	1	7	5	10	23			1	11	12	8
White Pelican		85								225	Jack-	379	Jackson
D.- c. Cormorant		15	35	3	10	6	54			26	50		40
Great Blue Heron		67	31		24	4	59			12	33	3	37
Snowy Egret		2	6	4			10			8			11
B.- c. Night Heron				18		15	33						
<u>White-faced Ibis</u>										1	Jackson	1	Jackson
Canada Goose	25		26				26		8		15		
Mallard	20	40	1360	316	115	400	2191	1	8	22	350	3	350
Gadwall			20	163		80	263				90		20
Pintail	2	2	200	57	75	100	432				6	5	6
Green-winged Teal	10	1	75	20	50	100	245		10	80	63	16	24
Blue-winged Teal	2	1	23	25	13	500	561		2	10	70		14
Cinnamon Teal		1		2	1		3				2		
American Widgeon		15	39	210	175	80	504			80	2	2	36
Shoveler	1	1	16	42	150	150	358			15	32	2	18
Wood Duck	3 on 8/14	Cherry Creek	SE Denver	R.A.				4	Waterton H.K.				
Redhead		25				12	12				20	200	1
Ring-necked Duck											(6		
Ruddy Duck		13	210	2	80	200	492			10	90		200
<u>Common Merganser</u>								(4 <u>NEW EARLY RECORD</u>					
Duck (Sp)			1080				1080						
Turkey Vulture			1				1	2		1			
Goshawk								1					
Sharp-shinned Hawk		1	(1				1		1	2	1		
Cooper's Hawk		1	(1 on 15th	Chetfield N.H.				2					
Red-tailed Hawk		4		3	2		5	2			5	7	4
<u>Harlan's Hawk</u>										(1			N.H.
Swainson's Hawk		2	3	4	6	4	17				1		31 Pawnee
Ferruginous Hawk					2		2						1
Golden Eagle	2								1				
Marsh Hawk	1	5		5	11	4	20		1	4	21	4	9
Buteo (Sp)					5		5						
Osprey		1						(2					
Prairie Falcon					1		1				3		
(29) <u>Peregrine Falcon</u>													N.H.
Sparrow Hawk	1	14	2	8	13	1	24		4	5	34	2	21
Blue Grouse							1	Jackson Cr.	R.S.				
Ring-necked Pheasant		5	1	2	7	5	15		1	46	9		1
Sandhill Crane			(9				9						
Sora		1				1	1						1
American Coot		15	410	72	40	200	722	10		22	550	18	250
Semipalmated Plover		4	(2		1		3				3		
Killdeer	12	135	72	61	260	75	468		5	93	111	3	60
<u>Mountain Plover</u>								<u>NEW LATE RECORD</u>	3) Prospect Valley				
(37) <u>Golden Plover</u>			(1				1		2 CCRA J.R.	1			
Black-bellied Plover										1	2		2
Common Snipe			2	3		2	7				4		2
Spotted Sandpiper	1	1	1		1		2		1				
Solitary Sandpiper		2	1		1		2		1	1)			
Willet	1	1			1		1				1		1
Greater Yellowlegs		1	2	2		1	5				8		3
Lesser Yellowlegs	1	7		12			12			10	12	3	3
Pectoral Sandpiper		1	4		4		8			1	3		4
Baird's Sandpiper		165	114	2	150	40	306			2	209		140
Least Sandpiper		18		3	13		16						4
Long-billed Dowitcher		15	1				1			6			29
Stilt Sandpiper		25	13				13				2		10
Semipalmated Sandpiper		3	1		30	1	32				3		1
Western Sandpiper	1	12	1		30		31				2		8
Marbled Godwit		3											2 Jackson
(45) <u>Hudsonian Godwit</u>		1	(fourth State record, first fall record)										
Sanderling		2		(2	1		3				43		24
American Avocet		15	85	5	1	1	92			48	3		25
Wilson's Phalarope		4			1	2	3						
Northern Phalarope		(10 MHDC				30	30				13		35
California Gull		35	32		5		37			1	130		350
Ring-billed Gull		300	400	21	65	100	586		1	16	2880	4	3000

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SPECIES														
Franklin's Gull		500	1200	644	40	50	1934		1058	76	300	500		
Bonaparte's Gull						(1	1							
Sabine's Gull										1	Jackson	1	Jackson	
Forster's Tern		1								1		4		
Black Tern		4		5	25	4	34			2		2		
Rock Dove		13	30	7			37		6	12		9	10	
Mourning Dove	9	108	159	123	114	55	451		4	10	101		47	
Flammulated Owl	Two young that were brought to Denver on July 28, were fledged and released on September 11, back at their nest area, near Florissant.													
Great Horned Owl		1		2	5	3	10							
Burrowing Owl		10		8			8		5			1		
Short-eared Owl								1	CCRA	J.R.				
Common Nighthawk			2	2	4	2	10		2	1)	on 24th	Denver	L.H.	
Chimney Swift		2	on 3rd	Federal	Center	R.B.								
White-throated Swift													3	
B.- t. Hummingbird	4													
Belted Kingfisher	2	1	1	1	1	2	5		2	2	1	3	3	
Red-shafted Flicker	7	36	8	6	14		28	1	18	16	13	11	25	4
Red-headed Woodpecker		8	1		1)		2							
Y.- b. Sapsucker								6						
Hairy Woodpecker		3			3		3				1		2	
Downy Woodpecker	2	3	7	7	5		19		3	1	1		2	
Eastern Kingbird		3				2)	2							
Western Kingbird	2	7	4	12	11	5)	32						1	Goodrich
Cassin's Kingbird		1			1	2	3						Castlewood	1 J.C.
Great-crested Flycatcher								(1)	NEW	LATE	RECORD			
*Eastern Phoebe	1	8/12	SE Den	1		2	on 4th	Morrison	Park	R.S.	(2nd and 3rd	Denver	area fall	record)
		R.A.												
Say's Phoebe			4	5	1	4	5	15						
Traill's Flycatcher			4			1		1						
Empidonax	1		6	2	1	9	3	15	1	1	1			1
Western Flycatcher			1				1)	1						
Western Wood Pewee	30		17	16	3	23	3	45	2)					
Olive-sided Flycatcher	2		2						1)					
Horned Lark			13	16	4	105	10	135		15	400	6	74	
Violet-green Swallow	35								2	SE DEN	R.A.	2)	MHDC	
Tree Swallow						2	2		1)					
Bank Swallow									CCRA	1	J.R.1)	(NEW	LATE	RECORD)
Rough-winged Swallow									2)	CCRA	J.R.			
Barn Swallow	10		42	42	184	13	125	364	1	48	410		50	
Cliff Swallow			1	1)				1						
Blue Jay			15	2				2				5	12	
Steller's Jay								9						1
Scrub Jay	9	1	on 27th	in	Aurora	MOS	(unusual)		2					4
Black-billed magpie	10		22	81	72	37	30	220	6	51	57	32	65	6
Common Raven								1	1					1
Common Crow	2	1			3		3		1		6	65		
Pinon Jay		4	Morrison	Park	R.S.									
Black-capped Chickadee	15		10	18	12	21		51	27	6	5	2	4	2
Mountain Chickadee								2						
W.- b. Nuthatch					(1			1				1		
R.- b. Nuthatch	(1	SE Den	2		3			5						
Brown Creeper		R.A.					1	1				3	Jackson	Cr. R.S.
Dipper														1
House Wren	6		35	3	3	10	5	21	1	10	1	2	4	
Rock Wren			3	(16	1	18	8	43					1	
Mockingbird			1				2	2						
Catbird	15		1		2			2	2	1)			1	
Brown Thrasher			10		2	1		3			1			
Sage Thrasher				1			2	3		1				
Robin 1 albino on 10th in Lakewood B.A.	7		3	3	6	10		19	88	7	27	12	118	36
Hermit Thrush	1	on 8/31	SE Den.	R.A.	NEW	EARLY	RECORD		41	2				
Swainson's Thrush									(20	Vaille	Res.L.W.			
Western Bluebird					4	on 25th	Bergen	Park	M.L.					
Mountain Bluebird								45	18				Pawnee	20 N.H.
Townsend's Solitaire		1							1		2			
Golden-crowned Kinglet		NEW	EARLY	RECORD	(2			2						
Ruby-crowned Kinglet		1		(3				3	5	3	1			
Water Pipit			(1			1		2	63		14		9	
Cedar Waxwing	(3		12	on 12th	Waterton	H.K.			1				14	
Loggerhead Shrike		1	1	3	2		6				1			
Starling	2	150	288	2853	119	200	3460	4	18	12	391	75	1115	2

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SPECIES													
Solitary Vireo				2		2							
Red-eyed Vireo		3											
* Philadelphia Vireo			(1 on 14th SE Denver R.A.										
Warbling Vireo	2	3	2	2		4	3)						
Tennessee Warbler			(1 on 14th Wheatridge P.E.										
Orange-crowned Warbler	1	6	2	4	4	10		2		1		1	
Nashville Warbler							(1						
Virginia's Warbler	1						8	1) on 28th SE Denver R.A.					
Yellow Warbler	5			2)		2							
Audubon's Warbler		1	(1	1		4	6	18		2	3		6
Townsend's Warbler	1 on 8/23	1	1			1				5			1
Chestnut-sided Warbler	2												
* Blackpoll Warbler				1		1		(second fall Denver area record)					
Ovenbird			1 on 3rd E Denver N.H.										
Northern Waterthrush	3		(1 on 8/27 SE Denver R.A.				1	Waterton H.K.					
MacGillivray's Warbler	4	2	3		1	4		1					
Yellowthroat	7	11	1	7		12	20	3)					
Yellow-breasted Chat				1)		1							
Wilson's Warbler	25	40	10	41	51	35	137	1	18	7	3	1	19
American Redstart			2	2)			4						
House Sparrow	1	55	32	192	135	225	584	3		30	435	40	200
Western Meadowlark	3	44	25	16	66	15	112	1	9	80	243	8	75
Yellow-headed Blackbird		1		376	21	20	417				1		4
Redwinged Blackbird		6	1	445	3	500	948			21	43	30	700
* Orchard Oriole			1 female on 8th SE Denver R.A.					NEW LATE RECORD					
Bullock's Oriole		6	2	1		3		1	1) on 22nd Chatfield N.H.				
Rusty Blackbird									(1 Sloan's Lake R.W.				
Brewer's Blackbird		3	2	2		2	6	6		20		200	
Common Grackle		3	61	165	1	2	229			250	405		80
B.- h. Cowbird													
Western Tanager	4	2	12	1	5		18	6	Aurora 3 on 27th 1				2
			(1 on 8/14 SE Den. R.A.									L.W.	
* Rose-breasted Grosbeak			1 on 8th Chatfield N.H.										
Black-headed Grosbeak	3		2)			2		2					
Blue Grosbeak									(NEW LATE RECORD) J.C. 4 CCRA				
Indigo Bunting	2								1) SE Den. R.A.				
Lazuli Bunting	8		1		7		8	2)					
Evening Grosbeak									(5 on 12th Waterton H.K.				
House Finch	2			27		3	30	6	12	3		7	7
Pine Siskin	(10							5	32				
American Goldfinch	8	11	4		1	1	6	2		1		8	
Lesser Goldfinch	5					1	1	17					
Red Crossbill			1 Genesee Mt. J.C.										
Green-tailed Towhee	15		6	1	2	1	10	7					1
(1 on 8/27 SE DEN. R.A.													
Rufous-sided Towhee	(25		2	1			1	22					26
Lark Bunting		10		11	24	6)	41						
Savannah Sparrow		2				2	2	1		1	1		1
Vesper Sparrow	3	57	4	41	91	20	156	2	3	99	312		60
Lark Sparrow	3	14	3	9	5	1)	18						
Slate-colored Junco								NEW EARLY RECORD	(1 on 28th SE Denver R.A.				
Oregon Junco									(4 on 28th Lakewood H.H.				
Gray-headed Junco								3	(1				
Chipping Sparrow	7	25	91	19	100	30	240	23	12	6		6	5
Clay-colored Sparrow		20	6	7	5	8	26	6		2		17	
			(2 on 8/18 SE Den. R.A.										
Brewer's Sparrow	3	4			19		19	4	7				
White-crowned Sparrow					(1	3	4	4	10			1	13
White-throated Sparrow			1 At timberline Pikes Peak R.B.										6
Lincoln's Sparrow		1	(2	3			5	1	5		1		2
Song Sparrow	12	4	1	2		30	33	12				1	1
McCown's Longspur	30 on 8/28		Pawnee N.H.					2	Tower Rd. L.W.				
Spizella					155	120	275	110					
TOTAL SPECIES	198	60	115	86	81	85	79	134	27	70	59	87	34
													91
													22

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RED-NECKED GREBE:

Jack Reddall writes of the bird he and Van Remsen observed on Prewitt Reservoir on Sept. 6, 1971; We probably would have completely overlooked this bird had we not heard this rather fretful cry drifting over the water. With the use of our high powered telescopes we finally located the source of the calls. Far out on the water (roughly 1000 feet from shore) we spotted the Red-necked Grebe, still sporting a bright rufous neck. Even at the great distance the bold white chin patch and dark median line down the back of the lower head and neck were readily discernable. For comparison purposes, several Western Grebes swam into view.

This is an extremely early fall record, but it is quite possible Red-necked Grebes are much more common and regular to eastern Colorado than records indicate. They undoubtedly are overlooked on the larger reservoirs and coverage of these areas is irregular at best. Additional observations of three birds of this species on Sept. 11 and one bird on the 19th and one on the 25th at Jackson reservoir tends to indicate that this is probably true.

HUDSONIAN GODWIT - September 6, 1971 by Jack Reddall and Van Remsen

Jack writes; We arrived at Prewitt Reservoir in Washington County shortly after sunrise. While scanning the mud flats at the mouth of the intake canal we came across a small group of shore birds feeding in a small, shallow pool. As we scoped the flocks of Avocets, Baird's Sandpipers and a lone Marbled Godwit, our attention was directed to another godwit which appeared smaller, grayer with a noticeably shorter, straighter bill. Suspecting a possible Hudsonian Godwit, we approached to within 75 feet. The bird was very tame and quite unconcerned over our movements. We continued our observations for several more minutes through our telescopes, noting in particular the "Godwit bill" (light at the base; dark at the tip). At no time could we discern the white rump. Finally we approached to within 25 to 30 feet and only after clapping our hands and shouting could we get the bird in the air. Once in flight, the white rump, wing stripe and dark wing linings were most prominent. Calling loudly, it circled overhead once and came to rest on the far side of the pool some 150 feet distant Van returned to the car to get his camera and subsequently achieved in getting over twenty colored pictures (24x) ranging from 40 to 150 feet. Several photographs were taken with both the Hudsonian and Marbled Godwit feeding together. This observation represents only the fourth record for Colorado, and is the first fall record for the state. John and Margaret Douglass observed a lone bird near Jackson Reservoir on May 22, 1955 for the initial record. Dr. Bailey collected a male at the Mile High Duck Club on May 26, 1956 and a single bird was seen by Jack Reddall on May 3, 1970, also at the Mile High Duck Club.

EASTERN PHOEBE:

Previous to this year we have recorded only one fall record of this species in the Denver area-September 17, 1911. This year three observations have been recorded, two from the Denver area and one from Washington County in northeast Colorado. Bob Andrews reported one from along Cherry Creek in southeast Denver on August 12, of which he writes; "Dark head, dark bill, lack of wingbars, whitish throat, and wagging tail". On September 4 two were observed at Morrison Park in Morrison by Robert Spencer. He writes; "Studied them for over a half hour. Both had no eye rings or wingbars, white underparts and throat, dark backs and bill. They stayed over stream area flycatching and returning to overhanging branches. Although they did not call they did wag their tails when they landed". Of the bird observed at Prewitt Reservoir on September 6, Jack Reddall writes "We first spotted this 'flycatcher-like' bird sitting on a barbed wire fence alongside the highway. It appeared light breasted with a uniform dark back and tail. A single conspicuous buffy wingbar was noted which provided some momentary confusion. In checking our field guides, we found that the immature did indeed have a prominent wing mark not present in the adult bird. The flicking of the tail was very noticeable".

PHILADELPHIA VIREO - September 14, 1971

Bob Andrews writes of this bird he observed along Cherry Creek in southeast Denver; Vireo bill and actions seen. Unmarked brownish-olive upperparts with no wingbars, pale eyeline, black lores, unmarked yellow throat and breast, and white undertail coverts seen.

CHESTNUT-SIDED WARBLER: - September 4, 1971 by Van Remsen

One of this species, apparently a fall-plumaged adult, was observed in the woods just south of the Water Co. filtration ponds at Waterton. The bird was seen three separate times and from as close as 30 feet. John and Joyce Cooper also saw the bird well. The most conspicuous field-mark was a bright greenish-yellow cap and back. There was a faint streak on the sides, darkish, but not the full chestnut of a breeding male. There were faint dark longitudinal stripes on the back. There were no black markings on the face. There was a white eye-ring, and the entire face and underparts were whitish, brightest on the throat. The nape was darker than the crown or back. There were two whitish wingbars on greenish-brown wings.

Another bird was seen at the same place and time which may have been an immature of this species, but identification was not 100% certain. The bird had a white eyering, two conspicuous white wingbars on dark wings, whitish face and underparts, and greenish crown, nape, and back. These sighting are only the fourth records in the fall for the Denver area.

BLACKPOLL WARBLER - September 11, 1971 by Van Remsen

A bird of this species was found and identified in fall plumage by Bob Andrews at Horse Creek Reservoir, Adams County. It was also seen and studied by all five observers in the party. All field marks of a blackpoll were seen from 30 feet, except the leg color. As compared to a fall plumaged Bay-breasted this bird had white under the tail, not buff of the Bay-breasted. This record becomes only the second fall record of a Blackpoll Warbler in the Denver area.

Bob Andrews writes of this bird he observed along Cherry Creek in southeast Denver; "Olive upperparts, greenish-yellow underparts with no white on belly as on the female Bullocks, white wingbars, and oriole bill seen".

This record is the latest of the season an Orchard Oriole has been observed in the Denver area.

ROSE-BREASTED GROSBEAK:

Van Remsen asks me to retract the bird listed as this species in the compilation of August sightings. On the field trip he led to Barr Lake on August 1, 1971 he had listed on his trip-list a grosbeak species, Rose-breasted or Black-headed, which was heard but not seen well. This editor took it upon himself to list it as a Rose-breasted due to the fact that no Black-headed had ever been seen or reported from Barr during the nesting season, and that the habitat there is more to the liking of a Rose-breasted.

This type of reporting where a bird is not completely identified is not good, so it is best that the listing be retracted. H.H.(editor)

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* Bring Lunch

TRIP LEADERS PLEASE NOTE: Please send your reports, using the Denver area checklist, as soon as possible after each trip to Harold Holt, 449 S. Xavier, Denver 80219, phone 936-8845, All individual reports should arrive by the 5th of the month to be included in the current report.

PLEASE NOTE: Don't forget to share mileage expenses with your driver. Suggested cost is 5¢ per mile divided by the number of people in the car including driver.

PLEASE ASK PERMISSION BEFORE BIRDING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY!! (upset landowners are bad news for the club!).

THE ALFRED M. BAILEY BIRD NESTING AREA

On July 17, 1971, Members of the Denver Field Ornithologists gathered on North Rock Creek Road, north of Silverthorn, Colorado to dedicate the meadows and forests along both sides of North Rock Creek between the Gore Range Trail and the Gore Range Eagle's Nest Primitive area as a special Bird Nesting area in the name of Dr. Alfred M. Bailey, longtime Director of the Denver Museum of Natural History and internationally known ornithologist. At noon, a newly erected sign was unveiled in the presence of Dr. and Mrs. Bailey after which Dr. Bailey spoke of his experiences and thoughts about ornithology. This was followed by punch and cookies furnished by Mrs. Wm. Echelmeyer and later by a picnic lunch in the meadow area.

The area has been set aside by Arapaho National Forest officials as a special management area in which there will be no timber cutting, development of new mineral claims, or heavy grazing. Some old mineral claims exist and the area is used by summer fishermen and autumn hunters. If wheeled traffic becomes a problem, it will be restricted.

The extensive areas of grass, bog, willow thickets and beaver ponds surrounded by forests of spruce, aspen and lodgepole pine, provide a varied habitat in which over 70 species of birds have been observed and of which more than half nest there. The dedication ceremony was the culmination of several years of effort by the Denver Field Ornithologists to have the area protected by the Forest Service as a special Management area for bird nesting, and to honor Dr. Bailey for his immense contributions to Ornithology in Colorado. It is one of the many areas in which Dr. Bailey secured photographs for use in Birds of Colorado, in this instance, his first photos of the nests and young of the Fox sparrow and the Dusky Flycatcher. Annual, overnight field trips have been held in the area for a number of years by the Denver Field Ornithologists.

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November, 1971
Harold Holt, Editor

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

November 23, 1971

"Trip to Iceland"

by

Jack Welch

7:30 P.M. Denver Museum of Natural History (New auditorium - west side)

OCTOBER 1971 FIELD TRIPS

- October 2, Saturday, Sloans Lake, Golden, Clear Creek, Lookout Mountain. Bob Spencer, leader. (warm, foggy, becoming very windy - 8 hrs.) Ward Chadwick, Shirley Spencer. (33Sp.)
- 3, Bear Creek Park, Louviers. Jean White, leader. (Sunny, warm - 4 hrs.) Merle Barbour, John & Joyce Cooper, Mary Cornelius, Lillian & Randolph Mc Donough. (18 Sp.)
- 3, Denver, Colorado to Prospect Reservoir, Wiggins, Jackson Reservoir and return. Jack Reddall, observer. (Clear, 37° - 66° - 10 3/4 hrs.) (74 Sp.)
- 9, Pawnee National Grasslands, Nancy Hurley, leader. (Cloudless, windy in P.M. - 6 1/2 hrs) Bob Glover, Pam and Roy Gruver, Susan and Thompson Marsh, (31 Sp.)
- 10, Rock Mountain Arsenal, Prospect Reservoir, Jackson Reservoir. Jack Reddall, leader. (clear, calm, becoming NW 20, 47° - 82° - 9 1/2 hrs.) Ward Chadwick, John & Joyce Cooper, Vi Wine, Jane Newcomb. (73 Sp.)
- 16, Lower Bear Creek, Jefferson Lakes. Bob & Shirley Spencer, leaders. (Cool, clear, becoming cloudy & windy, rain to west - 7 hrs.) Margo & Ward Chadwick, Ruth Wheeler. (36 Sp.)
- 17, Red Rocks Park, Morrison. Don Thatcher, leader. (cloudy, cool - 4 1/2 hrs.) Robert & Doug Buttery, Russel Huether, Garland Roe. (21 Sp.)
- 23, Denver, Colorado to Prewitt Reservoir, Jackson Reservoir, Prospect Reservoir and Return via Mile High Duck Club. Jack Reddall, Observer. (mostly clear, Fog at Prewitt Reservoir until 9:00 A.M. - 13 1/4 hrs.) (69 Sp.)
- 23, Bow Mar and Surrounding plains area. John & Joyce Cooper, leaders. (clear, calm, 33° - 65° - 8 hrs.) Bobby Ausfahl, Merle Barbour, Vi & Henry Bossman, Sylvia & Bill Brockner, Margo & Ward Chadwick, Dick Fischer, Gladys Peterson, Mary, Bill & Douglas Stotz, Jean VanLoan. (44 Sp.)
- 24, Barr, Mile Hi Area. Harold Holt, leader. (calm, clear, warm, 34° - 72° - 8 1/2 hrs.) John & Joyce Cooper, LaVona Holt, Bill Miller, Bill Miller, Jr. (63 Sp.)
- 25, Barr Lake, Don Thatcher, leader. (warm, Clear, windy. - 6 1/4 hrs.) John Marlowe, Mrs. Kenneth Panck, Robert Rolander. (38 Sp.)
- 30, Cherry Creek Reservoir, Arapahoe County. Dr. Ward Chadwick, leader. (clear, wind SW, 8-12, 12° - 42° - 8 hrs.) Merle Barbour, John & Joyce Cooper, Al Koewing, Thompson Marsh, Jack Reddall, Bob Spencer. (54 Sp.)
- 31, Waterton area. Hugh Kingery, leader. (2 to 4" snow on ground - 8 hrs.) Merle Barbour, Garland Roe. (35 Sp.)

OCTOBER	2	2	3	3	9	10	16	17	23	23	24	25	30	31
AREA	SLOAN	LOOK	BEAR	JACK	PAWN	JACK	LAKE	RRP	PREW	MAR	BARR	BARR	CCR	WATER
HABITAT	PLN	FOOT	PLN	PLN	PLN	PLN	PLN	FOOT	PLN	PLN	PLN	PLN	PLN	FOOT
SPECIES														
Common Loon										(2				1
Red Necked Grebe				5										
Horned Grebe				5		2			20	11	1			5
Eared Grebe				2							1			2
Western Grebe				300		6			30	1	26	10		28
Pied-billed Grebe				2		2	4		2	2	5	6		2
White Pelican				30		36			13					
D.- c. Cormorant				55		35			2		2			
Great Blue Heron				6		8	1		21	2	4	3		1
B.- c. Night Heron							1) CCRA JR							
Mute Swan										9				
Canada Goose	200			85		28	424		24	405				55
Mallard	50			2200	50	800	196		765	75	2402	800	200	11
Gadwall				130		200	178		21	205	67		500	14
Pintail				104		300	1		24	16	200	20	130	
Green-winged Teal				4		6	4		1		6		125	27
Blue-winged Teal						1								
American Widgeon	1			65		100	140		38	386	205	50	200	
Shoveler	600			30		30	600				525	50	75	
Wood Duck										12				
Redhead						16	162		42	95				500
Ring-necked Duck				4		150	300		10	37				2
Canvasback				Prospect	(12				131	13				100
Lesser Scaup				Prospect	(2				3	1				100
Common Goldeneye									1					(2
Bufflehead				Prospect	(2				57	11				30
White-winged Scoter													CCRA JC (1	
Ruddy Duck	1			450		500			350		13			80
Hooded Merganser	(1													
Red-breasted Merganser														
Goshawk														
Sharp-shinned Hawk														
Cooper's Hawk														
Red-tailed Hawk				8	1	7	1	1	21	3	9	3	1	3
Harlan's Hawk														1
Rough-legged Hawk											(1		1	
Ferruginous Hawk				4	3	1					1		1	
Golden Eagle				1	2			1			1	1		
Marsh Hawk				5	6	5			12		6	2	5	
Osprey														
Prairie Falcon														
Pigeon Hawk														
Sparrow Hawk	1			1	8	1	1	1	5	5	1		1	
Ring-necked Pheasant							28				7		7	1
Sandhill Crane					34									
American Coot	1			500		225	250		90	700	222	100	300	
Semipalmated Plover														
Piping Plover														
Killdeer	1			84		73	10		17	3	16	3	14	
American Golden Plover				1										
Black-bellied Plover				5										4)
Common Snipe							1			3				2
Spotted Sandpiper														
Greater Yellowlegs							2							3)
Lesser Yellowlegs				8		9	1			1	1)			
Pectoral Sandpiper				12		2								2)
Baird's Sandpiper				200		140			4		3)			
Least Sandpiper				6		2								3)
Long-billed Dowitcher				60		40					15			22)
Stilt Sandpiper				25		2)	Prospect							
* Hudsonian Godwit														
Sanderling				16		3					2) on 29th CCRA MOS			
American Avoset				7		7					7		1	
Wilson's Phalarope				1		2)	Prospect							
Northern Phalarope						22)	Prospect							
Herring Gull														
California Gull				300		200								
Ring-billed Gull	30			2100		2500	73		5100	138	90	20	14	2
Franklin's Gull	70			7	175	250	140		3	765	3242	3000		50
Bonaparte's Gull									2					
Sabine's Gull														
Forster's Tern														

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HABITAT	PLN	FOOT	PLN	PLN	PLN	PLN	PLN	FOOT	PLN	PLN	PLN	PLN	PLN	FOOT
SPECIES														
Rock Dove			6	8		18	31	200	26	48	21		27	75
Mourning Dove		1		1		2			2		1		1	
Great Horned Owl						1			1		2	1		3
Burrowing Owl					2									
Poor-will							1	Evergreen	DS					
Belted Kingfisher	1		1				2		1	3	1	2		3
Yellow Shafted Flicker						1			1					
Red-shafted Flicker	1	1	3	4	6	6	4	5	18	3	14	6	2	4
Hairy Woodpecker						1						1	1	
Downy Woodpecker				2	1	2		2	1	2	5			4
Horned Lark				152	400	345			73		17	10	9	10
Barn Swallow				4)	Prospect									
Blue Jay				1			1		2	1				
Steller's Jay		1												
* Scrub Jay						1	Prospect	2						
Black-billed Magpie	10	1	5	83	15	71	42	12	26	31	59	8	9	20
Common Raven								1						2
Common Crow		14		5		20	1	6	19		7	2		6
Pinon Jay					1	on 14th	Evergreen	DS						
Black-capped Chickadee			7	6		3	1	9	7	4	22	15	1	23
Mountain Chickadee		6												
Brown Creeper	2	on 8th	Wheatridge	PE	1				1		2	6		4
House Wren						1	1							1
Winter Wren														1
Carolina Wren							1	MHDC	LW					
Canon Wren								2						
Rock Wren				1	2									
Catbird									1					
Robin	1	4	11	27	25	16		45	59		6	1	1	
Wood Thrush								1	Barr	LW	Also on 17th	Many observers		
Hermit Thrush			1)		1				1					
Swainson's Thrush				1										
Eastern Bluebird						1	Arsenal							
Mountain Bluebird		7		1	4	5			2			Bow Mar 1)	HH	
Townsend's Solitaire						1		7						
G.- c. Kinglet					1	Barr	JR							
Ruby-crowned Kinglet				2	3	3	1							2
Water Pipit				52	2	205			9		2	6	9	
Cedar Waxwing									14					
Northern Shrike							(1	CCRA	JR		1			
Starling	5		2	252	25	250	156	22	146	84	334	100	10	33
Orange-crowned Warbler				1	1	Wheatridge	PE							1)
Nashville Warbler														1)
Magnolia Warbler				1										
Murtle Warbler				1		1					1	2		1
Audubon's Warbler			31	27	1	18		1	1		2	1		
* Macgillivray's Warbler										1)				
Wilson's Warbler			4	4							1)			
House Sparrow	12		6	130	4	110	19		50	25	43	2		
Western Meadowlark	1			217	50	95	2		90	4	69	15	1	
Yellow-headed Blackbird					5	on 17th	MHDC	JC	1		5)	NEW	LATE	RECORD
Redwinged Blackbird	2			283	12	100	90		534	25	1289	1500	16	
Brewer's Blackbird	8			42		28			55	14	14)			
Common Grackle									1		3)			
B.- h. Cowbird									1)					
Black-headed Grosbeak							NEW	LATE	RECORD	1	Deer	Cr. Canyon	DS	
Evening Grosbeak	1													
Cassin's Finch		6												
House Finch	6	8	8	2		1	57		2	35	43	12	2	
Pine Siskin		9												
American Goldfinch			8		1				26		4	3	5	14
Lesser Goldfinch			1		1-5)	thru 19th	Lakewood	JC						
Red Crossbill		2												
Green-tailed Towhee					1)	on 6th	Wheatridge	PE						
Rufous-sided Towhee								6				1)		1
Savannah Sparrow				11				2)	CCRA	JR				
Vesper Sparrow				6	6	1)	Arsenal							
White-winged Junco									1					
Slate-colored Junco					3				3		4			8
Oregon Junco				4	1	3	2	6	31		20	10		22
Gray-headed Junco								1			1			
Tree Sparrow							(4	CCRA	JR		7		16	5

CORNELL NEST RECORDS (OUT OF STATE) 172 Nests - 78 Species

(A) Arizona 19 nests - 19 Species; (C) California 123 nests - 38 Species; (I) Idaho 1 nest- 1 Species; (Io) Iowa 3 nests - 3 Species; (K) Kansas 1 nest - 1 Species; (M) Minnesota 4 nests 3 Species; (Mi) Missouri 1 nest - 1 Species (Mo) Montana 2 nests - 2 Species; (N) Nebraska 6 nests - 3 Species; (O) Oregon 4 nests - 4 Species; (U) Utah 5 nests - 4 Species; (W) Wyoming 3 nests - 3 Species

OUT OF STATE CONTRIBUTORS: R.L. Bottorff - 5, R.F. Buttery - 1, A.M. Dewerk - 5, P.R. Echelmeyer - 4, R.A. Gruver - 1, N.A. Hurley - 1, D.W. Hutchinson - 7, P.J. Jensen - 21 R.F. Lestina - 5, J.V. Remsen - 119, H.J. Stiles - 1, D.M. Thatcher - 1, S.J. Zones - 1.

Red-tailed Hawk	U-1	Say's Phoebe	A-1, U-2	Western Bluebird	C-2
Swainson's Hawk	I-1	Eastern Wood Pewee	Io-1	Cedar Waxwing	M-1
Black Hawk	A-1	Western Wood Pewee	C-2	Black-cap. Gnatcatcher	A-1
Golden Eagle	O-1, W-1	Beardless Flycatcher	A-1	Blue-grey Gnatcatcher	C-7
Osprey	O-1	Violet-green Swallow	C-5, O-1	Loggerhead Shrike	C-1
California Quail	C-1	Rough-winged Swallow	O-1	Starling	C-9
American Coot	C-1	Cliff Swallow	C-6, U-1, W-1	Hutton's Vireo	C-3
Mourning Dove	C-1, N-4	Scrub Jay	C-1	Solitary Vireo	A-1
Elf Owl	A-1	White-necked Raven	A-1	Red-eyed Vireo	M-1
Anna's Hummingbird	C-6	Mountain Chickadee	Mo-1	Orange Crowned Warbler	C-2
Allen's Hummingbird	C-2	Chestnut-backed chick.	C-1	House Sparrow	C-4, N-1
Blue-throated Hummingbird	A-1	Plain Titmouse	C-8	Scott's Oriole	A-1
Black-ch. Hummingbird	U-1	Common Bushtit	C-21, A-1	Black-headed Grosbeak	A-1 C-1
Red-shafted Flicker	C-1	White-breasted Nuthatch	C-3	Purple Finch	C-3
Northern-three-toed Wdpk	W-1	Red-breasted Nuthatch	Mo-1	House Finch	C-2
Red-bellied Woodpecker	Io-1	Brown Creeper	A-1, C-1	Lesser Goldfinch	C-2
Red-headed Woodpk	Io-1, N-1	Wrentit	C-1	Rufous-sided Towhee	C-1
Gila Woodpecker	A-1	House Wren	C-1, K-1	Brown Towhee	C-2
Arizona Woodpecker	A-1	Bewick's Wren	C-2	Savannah Sparrow	C-1
Rose-th. Becard	A-1	Cactus Wren	A-1	Lark Sparrow	C-1
Chimney Swift	Mi-1	Canyon Wren	A-1	Oregon Junco	C-6
Eastern Kingbird	M-2	Mockingbird	C-1	Chipping Sparrow	A-1, C-1
Cassin's Kingbird	A-1	Robin	C-2		

NOTICE

Club Decals for car windows are now available and may be purchased at meetings for 25¢ each. These are the likeness of the Lark Bunting sitting on Yucca and surrounded by the words Denver Field Ornithologists. They are 3" in diameter. Patty Echelmeyer will mail them if you cannot pick the up. Send your money plus postage (8¢) to Patty Echelmeyer, 2695 Newland St. Denver, Colorado 80214.

Remember! they're peel-off decals so don't try to soak them off.

NOTE

Mildred Snyder is the DFO reporter to "American Birds" (formerly "Audubon Field Notes"). She analyzes our monthly bulletins for significant bird sightings, trends in populations, range and migration, and sends her report to the appropriate regional editor for "American Birds". The Denver area straddles the boundary between the Southern Great Plains Region and the Great Basin, Central Rocky Mountain Region.

Sightings made on regular DFO trips will be picked up from the monthly bulletin by Mildred. However, if you have personal observations you think are worthy of inclusion in "American Birds", but do not wish to report them directly to the regional editor, Please contact Mildred Snyder, 161 Del Mar Circle, Aurora, Colorado 80010, Phone 366-7610 The consolidation of information will help Mildred with her analyses, and also make the regional editor's job easier.

Additional September Records:

Common Egret	September 25, 1971	2)
Broad-tailed Hummingbird	September 24, 1971	1)

These birds were observed by Robbie Elliott, Boulder, Colorado

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- December 4 - Saturday. Evergreen and Foothills. Meet at Dry Creek Shopping Center at 8:00 A.M. Thompson Marsh, leader. *
- 5 - Sunday. Elizabeth, Castlewood Dam, Castlerock. Meet at Dry Creek Shopping Center at 8:00 A.M. Merle Barbour & Mary Cornelius, leaders. *
- 11 - Saturday. Precount scouting trip. Centennial Shopping Center (by race track). 7:30, John Cooper, leader. Dry Creek Shopping Center at 7:30. Thompson Marsh, leader. Tinytown at 7:30, Bob Buttery, leader. Idledale P.O. at 8:00, Bill Brockner, leader. Call leader at 757-7000, Lynn Willcockson, leader. *
- 12 - Sunday. Precount scouting trip. 25th & Sheridan at 7:30, Don Thatcher, leader. Waterton bridge at 7:15, Cal Royall, leader. Call leader at 233-4947, Patty Echelmeyer, leader. Dry Creek Shopping Center at 7:30, Hugh Kingery, leader.*
- 18 - Saturday. 1971 Denver Christmas Count. Dawn or before to dusk or after. We will divide into several groups to count all the birds we can within our 15-mile diameter circle. We encourage all DFO members to come along with one of the groups, whether you are beginners or whizbang birders. Come out for only $\frac{1}{2}$ day if you like. National Audubon Society charges \$1 for each listed participant. Call the leaders for arrangements, or Hugh Kingery 733-0351, or Dave Hutchinson, 428-3922, if you want to know which group needs you. *
- This year we will meet to eat and compile at Wyatt's Cafeteria on the Mall at Bear Valley Shopping Center, Hampden (U.S. 285) & S. Sheridan. Everyone is welcome whether they went on the count or not.

1 - Red Rocks	Don Thatcher	455-7479
2 - Lower Bear Creek	Sadie Morrison	388-1488
3 - Marston-Bowles Lakes	Harold Holt	936-8845
4 - Lower South Platte River	John Cooper (and Van Remsen)	237-4855
5 - Middle South Platte & Plum Cr.	Thompson Marsh	377-5380
6 - Upper South Platte	Cal Royall	985-7295
7 - Deer Creek, lower	Lynn Willcockson	757-7000
7A - Deer Creek, upper	John Colvin	623-1745
8 - South Turkey Creek	Hugh Kingery	733-0351
9 - North Turkey Creek	Bob Buttery	986-0698
10 - Upper Bear Creek	Bill Brockner	674-4851
11 - Willow Creek	Patty Echelmeyer	233-4947
11A - Willow Springs	Mildred Snyder	366-7610

- 19 - Sunday. Evergreen Christmas Count. Call Mrs. Warren Thomas, 674-5345, for Arrangements. *
- 21 - Tuesday. Weldona Count. Call Don Thatcher, 455-7479, for Details. *
- 25 & 26 Saturday & Sunday. Christmas Weekend. No scheduled trips.
- 31 - Friday. Pikes Peak Christmas Bird Count. Hiking, snowshoeing, skiing, or driving choices if you come. Contact Marion Senior, 794-5752, for Details.*

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December 18th, 1971

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Eleanor Walker. (39 Sps.)
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and back via Arsenal. Lois Webster, leader. (Cloudy, Cool Max. 38⁰) John &
Joyce Cooper, Warren Finch, Robert Glover, Cicely Mellor, Sue Merrick, Jane
Newcomb. (29 Sps.)

CLUB TELESCOPE NOTICE

It has been suggested that all field trip leaders try to make use of the Club Telescope on all
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at any time for help in locating the scope. Please call to inform Don Thatcher who has the
scope at all times.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Brian A. Lewis - 2159 Stonehenge Circle - Lafayette, Colorado 80026

Ross B. Johnson - 240 Quay Street - Lakewood, Colorado 80226

ADDRESS CHANGE: Dennis Carter - 3039 Willow Rd. N.W. - Roanoke, Va. 24017

NOVEMBER	6	6	7	13	14	20	20	21	27	28
AREA	PAW	JACK	CANON	GEN	RRP	BEAR	MORR	WAT	SED	ELIZ
HABITAT	PLN	PLN	FOOT	MTS	FOOT	PLN	FOOT	PLN	PLN	PLN & FOOT
SPECIES										
Common Loon		4				3 CCR. JR		MCClelland Res.	1	
Horned Grebe		6)								
Eared Grebe		9				4 CCR JR		on 23rd 1)	Bow Mar	HH
Western Grebe		24							1	4) CCR
Pied-billed Grebe		2	2			3			2	1
D.- c. Cormorant		1)								
Great Blue Heron						2			1	
Whistling Swan		(2	Waterton HK							
Canada Goose	60	2320				150		9	1	
Snow Goose		(122				1 CCR JR				
Mallard		16000				89			13	
Gadwall		34	1			33				
Pintail		1250				5			1	
Green-winged Teal		6				17				
Blue-winged Teal		4)	on 2nd SE Denver BA	(NEW LATE DATE)						
American Widgeon		225				18		5	5	
Shoveler		2	2			3				
Wood Duck		Few at Bowles Lake	All Month	HH						
Redhead		150				20		30	15	8
Ring-necked Duck			1					2	7	
Canvasback		14				4 on 23rd	Marston Res.		HH	
Lesser Scaup		165	4			5			1	
Common Goldeneye		765				3			2	8
Barrow's Goldeneye		1	(NEW EARLY DATE)							
Bufflehead		250	1			11				
Ruddy Duck		300	3			12 on 6th	Sloans	HH		
Hooded Merganser		2								
Common Merganser		375								
Red-breasted Merganser						1 Bow Mar	JR			
Sharp-shinned Hawk		1				1				
Red-tailed Hawk	2	11	2			2		5	4	
Harlan's Hawk	1	All Month at	Chatfield HK						1	
Rough-legged Hawk	5	32							4	5
Ferruginous Hawk	1	7						5		1
Golden Eagle	2	5				1		3		2
Marsh Hawk	4	11	2			1		2	1	3
Prairie Falcon	2	2	1			1 SE Denver	JR			1
Pigeon Hawk	1	1 on 3rd & 1 on 10th	Westminster DH						1	Prospect JR
Sparrow Hawk		3	3			3			2	2
Scaled Quail			11							
Ring-necked Pheasant	2	4				2				9
Sandhill Crane								(NEW LATE DATE)	Parker	20
American Coot		120				75		2	125	200
Killdeer		11	15			4			3	
Black-bellied Plover						2) CCR JR				
Common Snipe		3				3				
American Avocet						1) Arsenal	DH			
Herring Gull		3								
California Gull		200				Sloans 1 with yellow tag	(NEW LATE DATE)	5	HH	
Ring-billed Gull		2500					20	1	1	
Franklin's Gull						1) CCR JR				
Bonaparte's Gull		38				8 CCR JR		1) on 25th	CCR JR	
Rock Dove	4	46	12	25	150	50		100		
Mourning Dove			4			1 on 26th	SE Denver BA			
Barn Owl						1 Found shot	Chatfield	NH		
Great Horned Owl	3									
Short-eared Owl		1				3 on 19th & 24th	CCR JR			
Belted Kingfisher			1					1	1	
Yellow-shafted Flicker								1		
Red-shafted Flicker	1	11	3	2	4	3	1	3	3	2
Lewis Woodpecker			1							
Hairy Woodpecker						1				
Downy Woodpecker	1	1		1						1
Horned Lark	157	732	25						11	170
Blue Jay		2				1				
Steller's Jay				24		1		1		
Scrub Jay	(Few on Plains all Month)	9		1	6	2			5	
Black-billed Magpie	20	102	16	11	5	20	3	24	60	29

COLORADO NEST RECORDS

CONTRIBUTORS:

M.E. Barbour	9	K.H. Hawkins	7
A.R. Barelia	1	H.R. Holt	17
M.A. Bivans	1	D.D. Howe	1
V.E. Bonner	1	P.A. Howe	3
C.H. Bonney	2	N.A. Hurley	28
H.B. Bossman	2	G.O. Hyatt	1
Vi. Bossman	3	L.E. Julian	1
R.L. Bottorff	57	E.M. Kent	1
W.W. Brockner	1	H.E. Kingery	65
R.F. Buttery	7	M.M. Lett	16
A.E. Clifford	3	L.G. McDonough	2
C.M. Club	1	F.R. McWilliams	2
L.R. DeWeese	36	S.A. Morrison	14
P.R. Echelmeyer	3	N.E. Pearson	1
M.E. Firor	1	R.E. Pillmore	20
C.H. Hack	11	J.V. Remsen	24

TOTAL NESTS 604

CONTRIBUTORS 48

M.L. Richmond	48
C.H. Rollin	5
M.J. Shock	1
M.P. Schultz	3
M.L. Shepherd	2
G.M. Shickley	12
G.R. Shier	1
M.O. Snyder	122
R.A. Spencer	9
H.J. Stiles	1
D.O. Sudman	1
D.M. Thatcher	38
M.J. Trainor	10
G.J. Welch	1
M.E. Welty	1
R.V. Winn	7

SPECIES 89

AREAS

PL - Various Eastern Colorado	M - Mountains, various, Western Colorado
BF - Black Forest - Parker, Franktown	PNG - Pawnee National Grassland
DEN - Denver Metropolitan Area	PV - Platte Valley, Barr, Platteville, Weldona
DIL - Dillon, Rock Creek Area	SP - South Park
DIV - Divide, Florissant	W - Waterton
F - Foothills, Golden, Lyons	

	NESTS	BF	DEN	DIL	DIV	F	M	PNG	PV	SP	W	PL
Great Blue Heron	1											
Canada Goose	1		1									
Mallard	5		3		1							
Goshawk	1						1					
Red-tailed Hawk	4							1				
Swainson's Hawk	3							2				
Ferruginous Hawk	2								1			
Golden Eagle	2											
Sparrow Hawk	2		2									
Killdeer	1								1			
Spotted Sandpiper	3				1		1					
White-tailed Ptarmigan	1						1					
Blue Grouse	1						1					
Rock Dove	3		1					1				
Mourning Dove	32	3	5			1		3	7		3	10
Flammulated Owl	3				3							
Great Horned Owl	8					1			3			
Long-eared Owl	1		1									
Short-eared Owl	1		1									
Common Nighthawk	3							3				
Broad-tailed Hummingbird	4	1					3					
Red-shafted Flicker	23		1	1	8	5	2	1			4	1
Yellow-shafted Flicker	1											1
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	19			1	11	1	3			3		
Williamson's Sapsucker	7				3	1	3					
Hairy Woodpecker	3			1	1		1					
Downy Woodpecker	4										4	
Eastern Kingbird	2										2	
Western Kingbird	14	3	6				1		3		1	
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher	2											2
Eastern Phoebe	1											1
Say's Phoebe	4							2			1	
Empidonax Species	1				1							
Dusky Flycatcher	1			1								
Western Flycatcher	2						2					
Western Wood Pewee	20	6		1	3						10	
Olive-sided Flycatcher	1				1							
Horned Lark	5							4				1
Violet-green Swallow	14				8		5			1		
Tree Swallow	18			4	2		6			5	1	
Barn Swallow	13	9				1	1	1			1	
Cliff Swallow	8					1	2	2			2	1
Black-billed Magpie	16		4					1	1		3	7

	NESTS	BF	DEN	DIL	DIV	F	M	PNG	PV	SP	W	PL
Common Raven	1										1	
White-necked Raven	1											1
Common Crow	1	1										
Black-capped Chickadee	3			1							2	
Mountain Chickadee	21			2	17	1	1					
White-breasted Nuthatch	2	1			1							
Red-breasted Nuthatch	1				1							
Pygmy Nuthatch	1					1	1					
Dipper	2					1	1					
House Wren	44	3	1	2	13		8				17	
Mockingbird	1		1									
Brown Thrasher	1								1			
Robin	71	7	25		16	2	7		6	4	3	1
Western Bluebird	16	15					1					
Mountain Bluebird	8	3			3		1			1		
Townsend's Solitaire	2			1	1							
Blue-grey Gnatcatcher	1						1					
Water Pipit	3						3					
Loggerhead Shrike	3							2				1
Starling	24		17								6	1
Solitary Vireo	3		1			1	1					
Red-eyed Vireo	2										2	
Warbling Vireo	8				5		2				1	
Yellow Warbler	5		1							1	3	
Audubon's Warbler	1									1		
American Redstart	2										2	
House Sparrow	18	4	13			1						
Western Meadowlark	2		2									
Red-winged Blackbird	10		10									
Bullock's Oriole	16	2	7						3		4	
Brewer's Blackbird	5	3	2									
Common Grackle	8	1	4				1	1	1			
Black-headed Grosbeak	1	1										
Blue Grosbeak	1					1						
Evening Grosbeak	1						1					
House Finch	25	6	17									2
Brown-capped Rosy Finch	1						1					
Lesser Goldfinch	6	3									3	
Lark Bunting	8							8				
Savannah Sparrow	1									1		
Lark Sparrow	1								1			
Grey-headed Junco	5				4		1					
Chipping Sparrow	1					1						
Lincoln's Sparrow	3			2			1					
McCown's Longspur	1							1				
Chestnut-collared Longspur	1							1				
GRAND TOTAL	604	72	126	17	104	21	64	36	28	18	82	36

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Friday, December 17, 1971 - "British Columbia-Mountains to the Sea" - by Wilf Gray
Friday, February 4, 1972 - "Four Corners to Arizona" - by Robert Wright
Friday, March 3, 1972 - "Hawaii-Paradise of the Pacific" - by Walter H. Berlet
Friday, March 24, 1972 - "Gems of Nature" - by Burdette White

FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE - JANUARY 1972

January 1 & 2 - Saturday & Sunday. Bonney Dam Count. Call Paul Julian for Details
Telephone 443 - 6133.

- 2 - Sunday, Bear Creek Park and nearby water areas. $\frac{1}{2}$ Day. Jean White, leader.
Meet at Dry Creek Shopping Center 1:00 P.M.
- 8 - Saturday, Cherry Creek Recreation Area. Ray Olsen, leader. Meet at S.W.
Corner Cherry Creek Shopping Center parking lot near Denver Dry Goods Store.
8:00 A.M. *
- 9 - Sunday, Red Rocks Park. $\frac{1}{2}$ Day. Don Thatcher, leader. Meet at 25th and Sheridan
7:30 A.M.
- 15 - Saturday, Cherry Creek Recreation Area. Sue Merrick, leader. Meet at Dry Creek
Shopping Center. 8:00 A.M. *
- 16 - Sunday, Pawnee National Grasslands. Nancy Hurley, leader. Meet at Denver
Museum of Natural History. 7:00 A.M. *
- 22 - Saturday, Bear Creek and adjacent lakes. Sadie Morrison, leader. Meet at
25th and Sheridan. 8:30 A.M. *
- 23 - Sunday, Barr Lake and Mile Hi Areas. Harold & LaVona Holt, leaders. Meet at
Denver Museum of Natural History. 7:30 A.M. *
- 29 - Saturday, Jackson Reservoir and surrounding areas. Jack Reddall, leader. For
Hawks and Eagles. Meet at I70 and Chambers Road, Voyager Inn, N. E. Corner of
parking lot. 7:00 A.M. *
- 30 - Sunday, Bowmar and nearby areas. Bobby Ausfahl and Merle Barbour, leaders.
Meet at Dry Creek Shopping Center. 8:00 A.M. *

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